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Test scores draw mixed reviews

BY RICHARD MEEK
Students in both the Hancock County and Bay St. Louis-Waveland school districts received mixed reviews of student test scores.

In the Bay-Waveland School District, scores dropped in 13 of the 37 categories that could be measured against last year's performance. In the county school district, scores tumbled in 18 of 37 categories.

Both districts' ACT scores dropped, and the graduation

rate fell in the Bay-Waveland district.

The average ACT score in the Bay-Waveland district fell from 20.7 in 1996 to 20.1 in 1997. In the county, the ACT average fell to 20.3 from 20.7.

However, school officials were quick to point out that not all students elect to take the ACT. Some may only take the SAT, which is needed for admission to many private colleges.

Although the graduation

rate rose in the county, it continues to remain at an alarmingly low percentage. For 1997, the graduation rate rose from 59.32 to 59.39 percent, a rise of .01 percent. The rate reflects that only six of 10 students who entered kindergarten 12 years earlier graduated from high school.

The county's rate is well below the Bay-Waveland rate of 70.25 percent, which fell from 70.98 in 1996.

In 1994, the county's gradu-

"We upgraded an area we were striving to improve but came down in other areas...We want to keep it level..."

Hancock County School Board President Cheryl Bennett

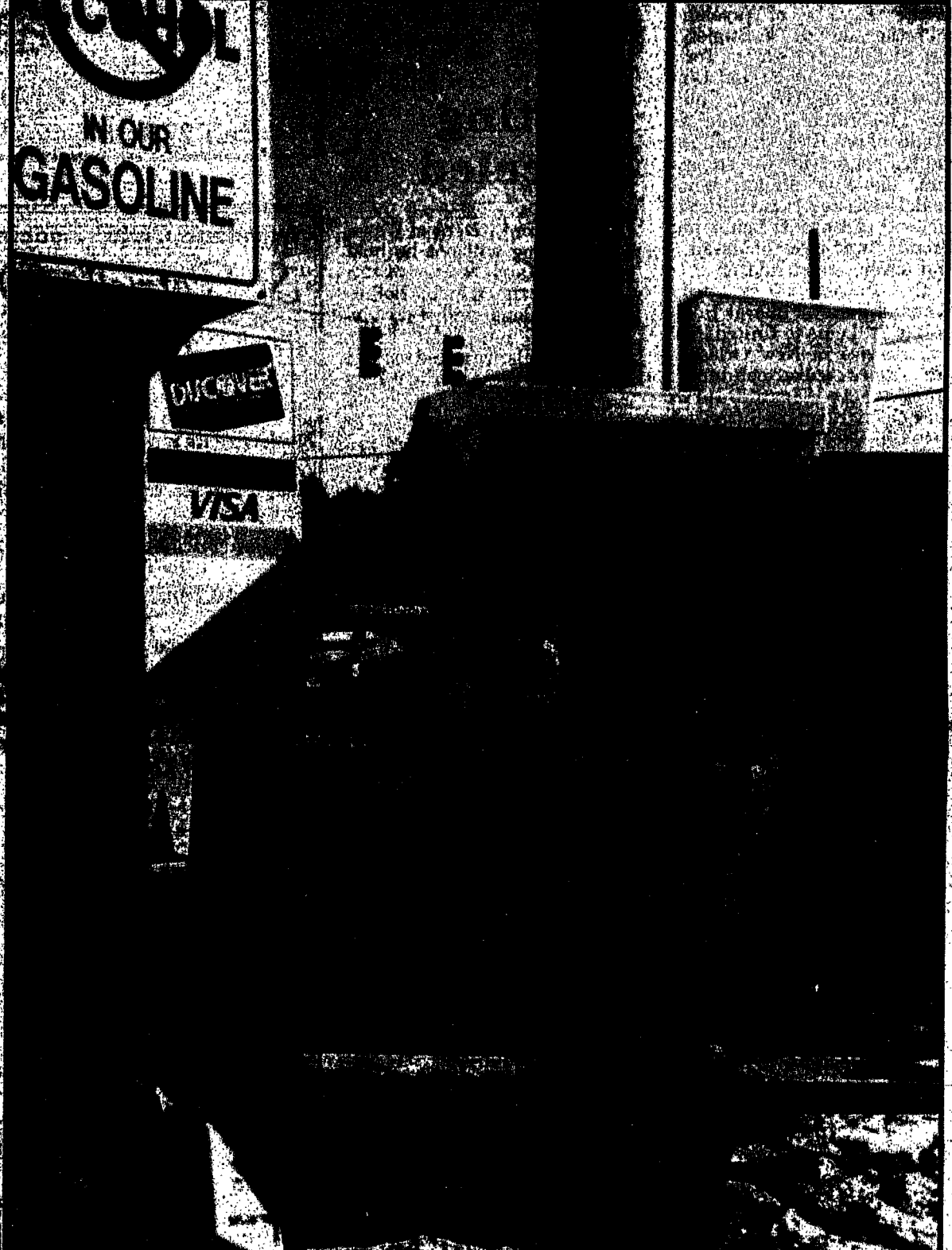
ation rate was 66 percent. The sharp decline is of concern to Hancock County School Board President Cheryl Bennett.

"Our biggest concern is our graduation rate," Bennett con-

ced.

She said the low rate is the reason why Hancock High

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New traffic light in Kiln

Charles Donald of the Mississippi Department of Transportation performs a final check before several politicians pulled the switch Monday on a new traffic light in Kiln. The light is located at the intersection of Highway 608 and the Kiln-DeLisle Road. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Supers question attorney's fees

BY ED LEPOMA
Hancock County supervisors plan to call attorney John Scaife to a March 20 workshop to discuss recent fees he's assessed over and above his \$200-a-month retainer for service to the Planning Commission.

Supervisors voted Monday to pay a \$2,480 bill Scaife submitted for services covering a period beginning Dec. 1, 1997 through Feb. 19, 1998, but the bill apparently didn't sit well with District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour.

Seymour made the motion to pay Scaife, but made another motion to put him on a maximum retainer of \$600 a month.

"If he wants it, okay. If not, let's get somebody else," said Seymour.

District 1 Supervisors Jeep Ladner convinced Seymour to withdraw his motion. He said he wanted to look at what kind of revenues the Planning Commission was taking in to see whether the office is self-sustaining, but he felt it wouldn't be fair to cap Scaife's retainer without first talking with him.

Supervisors will speak with him at workshops scheduled March 20.

The Echo obtained a copy of the bill that Scaife submitted for the two-and-a-half month period, and the bulk of the charges were for Planning Commission meetings he attends twice a month.

Scaife charges \$80 an hour, and sometimes Commission meetings run two or three

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Favre reacts to city audit

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Mayor Eddie Favre said Tuesday the state Attorney General's office has no problem with the way city police are used as extra security at Casino Magic and at privately-sponsored functions.

"As long as we're invited and we do not seek reimbursement, it's perfectly legitimate," Favre told City Council.

Instead of charging a fee for extra police, the city is open to accept "donations," the mayor said.

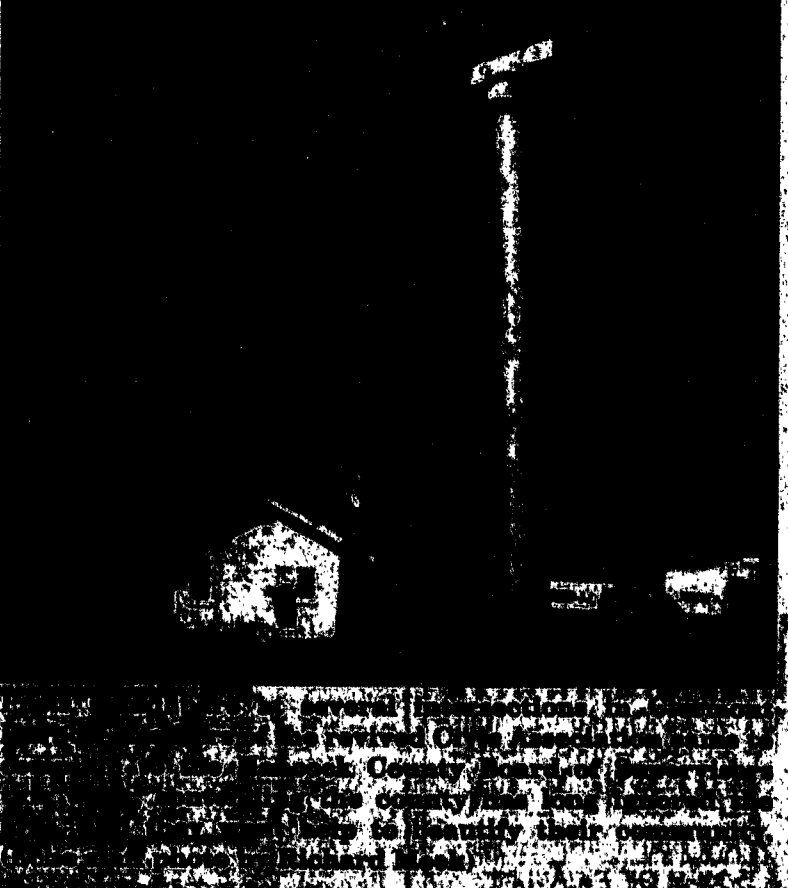
Favre made the comments in the wake of a statement

from Steve Dockens of the Moore & Powell auditing firm last week. In reviewing the city's 1994-95 budget, Dockens suggested the city may be in violation of state law by allowing city police to "moonlight" at the casino, and later be reimbursed for the duty.

Favre insisted Tuesday, however, that Casino Magic actually "pays" the city nothing when it uses city police for security details. Nor does St. Stanislaus or any other organization which calls on city police

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Clermont Harbor residents air complaints



BY ED LEPOMA
Clermont Harbor residents feel neglected, and Monday they let the Hancock County Board of Supervisors know it.

Clyde Ladner, president of the recently reactivated Clermont Harbor Civic Association, told supervisors the citizens group, originally formed in 1922, has regrouped, and at least 35 residents have banded together to promote community awareness and pride in the neighborhood.

Ladner said, "We feel our part of the county has been neglected and ignored by our elected officials for too many years."

Ladner said name signs are needed on some streets, other street signs have been knocked down and are laying in ditches, trees are growing in ditches along county rights-of-way, police protection is lax, and there needs to be street lights installed at several intersections. He also wants signs that have been placed on power

poles removed.

Ladner claimed every night gangs of eight to 10 youths gather at the corner of Beach Boulevard and Bordages

Street. "They're congregating and smoking dope," said Ladner.

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Reef possible at Waveland pier

BY BETSY GAGNET
Waveland should soon be getting a new fishing reef just off the end of the Garfield Ladner Municipal Pier.

Alderman Tommy Longo told the Board of Aldermen at Monday's workshop meeting that Mississippi Gulf Fishing Banks, Inc. is looking at an area 100 feet southeast of the end of the pier to develop a reef which will come at no cost to the city. The Board approved a resolution at Tuesday's meeting in support of developing the reef.

When completed, the reef would be a "cave reef" just out of casting distance which will attract smaller bait fish, Long explained, with larger fish circling around the area to feed.

The corporation is trying to develop both off-shore and in-shore reefs in Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties, Long said, but had been unable to locate any suitable in-shore sites.

Congressman Gene Taylor suggested Longo contact Bill

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Burglary ring busted

Four young persons are jailed and the Hancock County Sheriff's Office has warrants out for three others in connection with a burglary ring of residences here and in St. Bernard Parish, La.

As the ring was going to press Wednesday, Detective George Burleson said he had obtained two warrants for St. Bernard Parish and arrested four more suspects, he said. "A lot of more property was also recovered."

Burleson said the group of two females and five males stole items, including a 17-foot motor boat, valued at nearly \$100,000, during a series of burglaries that began in late December of last year and continued until the four were arrested this week.

"It was a boyfriend-girlfriend kind of thing," said Burleson. "A lot of items recovered were appliances and other things that only girls would be interested in, so that kind of tipped us off."

Burleson said, "A lot of the jewelry and other more valu-

able items had already been sold to buy drugs in New Orleans, but we hope to recover some jewelry in a pawn shop there."

Already arrested is Misty Lynn Gilchrist, 17, of Arabi, La. She is charged with a count of burglary in connection with items stolen from a residence on Freshwater Powell Road on the north end of Hancock County near the Pearl River County line.

Samuel Sue Owens, 28, who lives at a Tupelo address on her Mississippi driver's license, will also be arrested on one count of burglary, Burleson said. She is currently being held on a burglary charge in St. Bernard Parish, but Burleson said he planned to extradite her to Hancock County once St. Bernard acts on the charge facing her there.

Also charged with burglary is Douglas Rush, 20, of Carriere, Miss., and Brian G. Nasworthy of Shoreline Park. Burleson said Nasworthy was currently out on a \$10,000 bond on another burglary charge, and

he turned himself into the county jail Monday afternoon.

Nasworthy and Rush are suspected of stealing a 17-foot motor boat, engine and trailer from Tim's Marina in Violet, La. on Feb. 9, Burleson said. He said the boat was recovered Feb. 23 parked at 4133 Atlantic Street in Shoreline Park, along with the motor and trailer.

"In addition, we have warrants out for two brothers in their 20s, who are both white males, and another white male 17 years old," said Burleson. Items recovered included televisions, microwaves and other kitchen appliances, video tapes, wine and wine glasses, telephones, wall pictures and statues.

Burleson said St. Bernard's Sheriff's Detective Mark Jackson assisted the investigation, along with Detective Wayne Drexler of the Picayune Police Department.

The Sheriff's Department is asking anyone that might have had television sets, VCR's or other items stolen recently to come to the county jail at 122 1/2 Court Street in downtown Bay St. Louis.

Voices of Hope Festival set Saturday at Depot

BY BETSY GAGNET
The third annual Voices of Hope International Festival will be held this Saturday in Bay St. Louis at the L & N Depot.

The festival will feature student and adult entertainers from the Gulf Coast area performing throughout the day from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Local VIP masters of ceremony will rotate every 15-30 minutes, introducing performers and making announcements.

Among the entertainment will be a storytelling at a stage inside the depot, special appearances by famous roleplayers, the Navy Steel Band, creative activities for children, line dancing, performances by many of the schools in the county, and display booths including exhibits from Tynd Meadows Discovery Center.

Festival goers are urged to bring canned goods for the Hancock County Food Pantry and Hope Haven.

"Everyone can come dance, eat, sing and enjoy each other's company," said Connie Heitzmann, a Bay Catholic Elementary School kindergarten teacher and a festival organizer.

Several awards will be presented at the festival including Community Achievement Volunteer Service Awards to John Rutherford and Geraldine Lang and the Voices of Hope International Workplace Award to Jack Kyle, Executive Director of the Mississippi Commission for International Cultural Exchange.

The festival will end with a candlelight closing ceremony with all musical groups joining together to sing "Let There Be Peace on Earth," said Heitzmann.

According to its mission statement, Voices of Hope is a

project aimed at bringing together the written, visual and vocal arts and artists to promote understanding and acceptance of world-wide diversity.

"It has evolved since its inception in 1991," said Heitzmann. "It started as a video letter library. We just follow our hearts."

Heitzmann summed up the purpose of Voices of Hope by saying it is "to help eliminate walls between all people, and to create acceptance and unity between people."

One of the highlights of the event will be the taping of video messages of hope to be played at the festival in the year 2000.

Among the participants in Saturday's event will be students and teachers from many area schools.

The festival is just one facet

of all the Voices of Hope programs participated in at Bay Catholic, which include the school's Mardi Gras parade and poster and essay contests. Principal Myrna Jordan said. At the root of all of the projects is the attempt to gain an understanding of other people and to accept differences, she explained.

"It's okay to be different," Jordan said. "We know the real jewel in the world is the differences we each bring."

Merchants and community groups will participate in the festival with everything from crafts to food.

The festival has grown tremendously over the past three years, said Heitzmann, saying it would not be possible without the support of the pastor, principal, parents or students of Bay Catholic.

Traffic stop leads to marijuana bust

BY RICHARD MEEK
Hancock County law enforcement officials succeeded where other agencies had apparently failed in arresting a suspect for transporting drugs.

Hancock County Narcotics Task Force Director Shane Corr said nifty investigative work by Lt. Tim Broder and Deputy Abe Long of the Hancock County Sheriff's Office led to the arrest of Horacio Rodriguez, 21, of Wachula, Fla., early Sunday morning.

Corr said Rodriguez was charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana after 72 pounds of the illegal drug were found hidden in the gas tank of Rodriguez's automobile.

Corr said Broder and Long stopped Rodriguez at 1:11 a.m. Sunday for improper equip-

ment near the 12-mile marker eastbound on Interstate 10. Rodriguez, Corr said, signed a written consent form to allow his car to be searched. It was during the search Broder and Long located the marijuana.

Corr said that Rodriguez told police officials it was the fourth time he had been stopped, but searched by law enforcement agencies in Texas and Louisiana had failed to locate the marijuana. Rodriguez, according to Corr, said he had been stopped near McAllen Texas, and twice in Louisiana.

"(Broder and Long) did a great job in searching the car," Corr said.

Rodriguez, who has no prior arrests, was driving a 1995 Chrysler New Yorker. He is being held on \$75,000 bond.

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11:00	Mrs. Angelyn Treutel Bay St. Louis Explorers - Officers Keller Voices of Hope Ensemble - National Anthem The Arabesque Images Dance Troupe Mrs. Miranda Comprella & Mrs. Karen Comprella	2:30	Sr. Donella Hartman, Our Lady Academy Principal Choir - Ms. Joy Mehrens Mrs. Carleen Moran Keith Hoda Band Country Sound with Tommy Morans
11:15	Mrs. Myrna Jordan Bay Catholic Singers, "I Can Make Peace" & "Teaching Peace" Voices of Hope Special Guest Band, Keith Hoda and the County Sounds	3:15	Dr. Donna Jones - Waveland Elementary Mrs. Karen Ralhes singing, "I Can't Help But Falling In Love with You" and "If I Can Dream" Keith Hoda Band Country Sounds with Tommy Morans
11:30	Buttercup & Famous Children's Entertainers Mr. Kevin Smart featuring Sugar Plum & Sugar Plum	3:30	Second Liners and Boot Scooters Mrs. Mary Montjoy - Coast Episcopal Message Gi Gi Hines Storytelling with music Keith Hoda Band Country Sounds with Tommy Morans
11:45	Keith Hoda and Tommy Morans RSVP Second Liners Diamondhead Academy Senior Second Liners Boot Scooters	4:00	Mrs. Jane Givens - Gulfview Mrs. Kathy Givens - Selections Mrs. John Pappas - "Change the World" & "Santitas" Mrs. John Pappas - "Change the World" & "Santitas"
12:00	Mr. Tad B. Givens Gulf Coast Singers Gulf Coast Singers in Dances	4:15	North Bay Elementary Mrs. Katherine Givens - "I Can't Help But Falling In Love with You" Mrs. Katherine Givens - "I Can't Help But Falling In Love with You"
12:15	Mrs. Betsy Gagnet Scottish Singers Scottish Singers in Dances "Colossus Na Gaidhlig A Dias"	4:30	Highlanders & Islands Association of Highlanders & Islands Association of Highlanders & Islands Association of Highlanders & Islands
12:30	Keith Hoda Play Words of Wisdom Peacemakers Brother Ronald Talbot SC Brother Ronald Talbot SC	4:45	Hancock County Message Hancock County Message Hancock County Message Hancock County Message
12:45	Mrs. Cindy Vernon - Chamber of Commerce Queen Benin Tribe - Patricia Hartog Storytelling & Dance Improv	5:00	Native American Native American Native American Native American
1:00	Mr. Ellis Cuevas - Sea Coast Echo Mayor John Mason & Mr. Jimmy Varnell singing, "Like a Seal on Your Heart" Special thanks to Mayor John Mason and Waveland for making this week "Voices of Hope Week" in Waveland	5:15	Mrs. Joan Thomas Krewe of Real People Diamondhead Academy - President Mrs. Missy Mannions - Bay High Jr. Student Council, "Zorba Dancers"
1:15	Mrs. Amanda Monti and Emma Carver under the direction of Ms. Mary Howard singing: "I Am But One Child", written by Ms. Howard Peacemakers Roleplayers, "Word of Wisdom" Scottish Clans Scottish Drums & File "Colossus Na Gaidhlig A Dias"	5:30	Mr. Ellis Cuevas - Sea Coast Echo The United State Navy Steel Band All Second Liners and Dancers
1:30	Message: Mrs. Sandra Reed, Bay High Principal 3 Choirs - Mrs. Betty Holleman "Voices of Hope", song written by Mrs. Betty Holleman	5:45	Betsy Gagnet - Sea Coast Echo The United State Navy Steel Band Announcements
1:45	Irish Song Leaders - Mr. Conrad O'Maury, Bro. Pierre O'St. Pierre, Md. Donald O'Maury, Mr. Ollie O'Maury	6:00	Sun Herald - U.S. Navy Steel Band Announcements
2:00	Brother Ronald Talbot SC Featuring Guest Appearance from SSC Alumni Member, Mr. Tommy Moran SSC Cheerleaders - Performed by SSC and OLA Cheerleading Squad - Mrs. Pat Cousins Acoustic Guitars - Mr. Justine Mercatus & Michael Phinney	6:30	Vietnamese Children's Candle Dancers with Dragon Dancers "American Segment" Janet Siebert & Photographers photograph the crowd
2:00		7:10	John Ebert Choir, Mr. Ed Grolkowski, director Mrs. Katherine Oregone - Principal (Largest school in Louisiana) Voices of Hope Ensemble with all choirs invited to sing, "Colors of the Wind," "Do Na Nobis Pacem" and "Light the Candle" Peacemakers with Outstanding Volunteer Service Awards - Mayor Eddie Favre Special thanks to Mayor Eddie Favre and The Bay St. Louis City Council for making this month, "Voices of Hope Month" in Bay St. Louis Finale, "Let there be Peace on Earth" Candlelight Ceremony

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http://www.baystlouis.com/Voices-Of-Hope and goldmine.baystlouis.com



"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

On Saturday, the big day many of our youth as well as adults have been waiting for, will be here.

It will be the third annual *Voices of Hope* International Festival with hours 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Connie Heitzmann, *Voices of Hope* organizer and many, many helpers have been planning this big celebration day which involves our youth.

The festival is hosted by the City of Bay St. Louis and will be at the beautifully renovated depot and grounds.

Many non-profit organizations will have booths at the festival. Several community groups will sell crafts, foods and merchandise.

Heitzmann said she is receiving much support from Mayor Eddie Favre, mayor's secretary Barbara Redding and building official secretary Laura Griffith.

Another group giving big support is music and sound under the direction of Keith Hoda, Tommy Moran and their group of musicians and experts of sound technicians.

During the *Voices of Hope* festival, several VIPs from the area will act as master or mistress of ceremonies. Youth from our area along the Coast and even from New Orleans will be performing during the day.

There will be continuous entertainment from bands, dancing, singing, sing-alongs, story telling, magic acts, cheerleaders, singers, strolling musicians, line dancing, native American costumes, and much more.

It will be an entertaining day for adults as well as young folks.

A candlelight closing ceremony will be the highlight of the evening.

One of the benefactors of the festival will be the Hancock County Food Pantry. Fest goers are asked to bring a non-perishable item for the very important organization in our community.

Festival goers can pickup literature for Hope Haven and other non-profit organizations at the festival.

There will be a hands-on art center, *Voices of Hope* peacemaker awards, oldest and youngest participant recognition, etc.

"Participants are asked to bring blankets, lawn chairs, a candle, a smile and a friend," Heitzmann said.

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The goals of *Voices of Hope* is:

"To develop leaders from all generations to ensure the successful growth and preservation of cultural diversity, and to bring together the written, visual and vocal arts and artists to promote the understanding and acceptance of worldwide diversity."

Voices of Hope is a locally initiated project aimed at networking various community organizations working to promote community and caring.

The International Festival will involve student and adult entertainers. Performances will run 10 to 15 minutes each and run continuously throughout the day.

Everyone needs to come out on Saturday and see what our community is doing in promoting peace throughout the world.

I hope to see you at the big *Voices of Hope* International Festival on Saturday.

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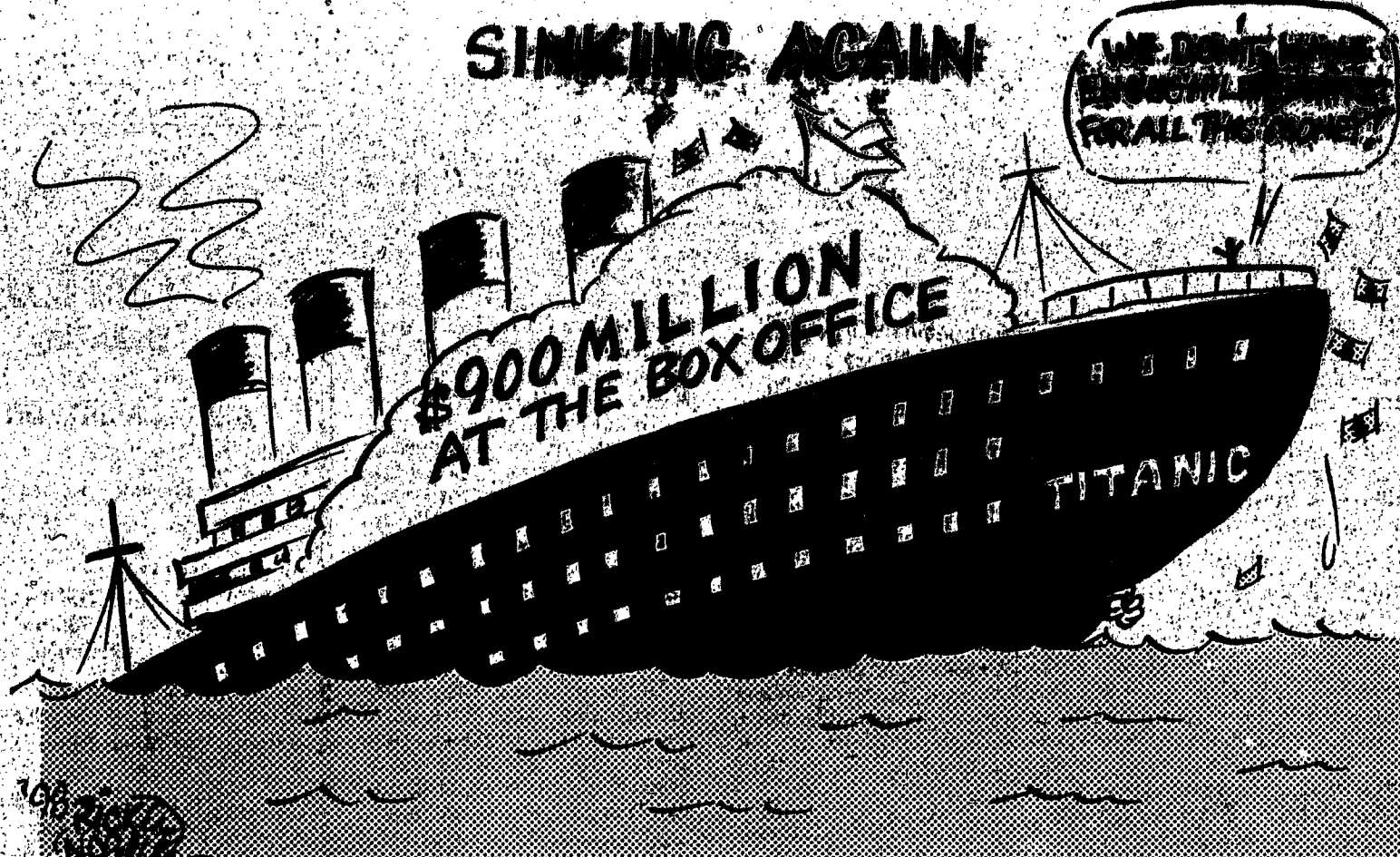
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THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS

A Weekly Editorial

From Mississippi Economic Council

It's a new day for state employees

There's an old story still told among gray-haired Capital Press Corps veterans.

In the early 1960s the Chinese island groups of Quemoy and Matsu were headline news as Communist forces and Taiwan wrestled for control.

Ross Barnett was governor of Mississippi and when an administrative assistant asked: "What do you think about Quemoy and Matsu?" the governor quickly replied, "Put them over in the 'Guns and Fish Commission'."

Those were the days when bumper stickers for gubernatorial candidates were put on the sides of barns to weather. The day after the election a job seeker would glue the winner's now sun-bleached sticker on his car before approaching the county campaign chief about landing a "position."

It was political patronage Mississippi style.

Those days are gone. The practice of hiring unqualified people simply because they were the brother-in-law of a bigwig has changed. Mississippi has approximately 87,000 full- and part-time employees, including 55,000 in education, 1,000 in the governor's office and legislative branch, and 31,000 under the State Personnel Board.

The board recently released an analysis of salaries of employees under its jurisdiction. The average wage for state workers at year's end was \$24,980, compared to \$23,410

for the private sector. And the state's retirement system is one of the nation's best.

At the beginning of this year there were 232 employees under the State Personnel Board drawing over \$70,000. Another 293 drew between \$60,000 and \$70,000. And remember, that number doesn't include education or legislative or governor's offices.

The largest number of employees, 7,046, work for the Department of Mental Health. That far eclipses the second highest, the Department of Human Services, with 3,642. The Department of Corrections has 3,750, and the Department of Transportation has 3,642.

There are more women than men. Fifty-six percent are females. White employees make up 58.7 percent of the workforce, with 41.3 percent minority. The average service time is eight years and five months. The average number of years of education is 14 and the average age is 40.

Mississippi has come a long way in a short period of time toward building a professional state governmental workforce. Management development programs are in place to train future department heads and education and skill enhancement is encouraged.

Professionalism translates into efficiency. And efficiency translates into getting more bang for taxpayer dollars.

It's a far cry from the days of old.

FROM THE STATE AUDITOR

Legal holidays statute amended by Legislature

By Phil Bryant
State Auditor

Section 3-3-7, Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), sets forth the following 10 legal holidays for the State of Mississippi:

First day of January, New Year's Day

Third Monday of January, Robert E. Lee/Martin Luther King Day

Third Monday of February, Washington's Birthday

Last Monday of April, Confederate Memorial Day

Last Monday of May, Memorial Day/Jefferson Davis Birthday

Fourth day of July, Independence Day

First Monday of September, Labor Day

11th day of November, Armistice/Veterans Day

Proclamation of Governor, Thanksgiving Day

25th day of December, Christmas Day

The 1997 Legislature amended Section 3-3-7 to allow counties and cities, by order spread on the minutes, to declare any one day to be a holiday in lieu of any one of the holidays listed in the statute, except for Robert E. Lee/Martin Luther King Day.

Previously this amendment was available only for establishing a "Mardi Gras Day." No other days may be recognized as

days, as the Attorney General stated in an opinion dated Feb. 5, 1993: "It is our opinion that the only holidays recognized by the state and its political subdivisions are enumerated in Mississippi Code Annotated Section 3-3-7."

Section 25-1-99, Mississippi Code Annotated (1972) requires county governments to close the courthouse on state holidays and allows the board in its discretion to close county offices on holidays created by executive order of the governor.

Municipalities are not required to recognize state holidays, as the Attorney General wrote in an opinion dated April 24, 1991: "This office is of the opinion that a city may allow employees fewer holidays than those listed in Section 3-3-7. Stated differently, municipalities do not have to observe all of the holidays recognized by the state. However, a city may not allow employees different holidays or additional holidays than those listed."

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ASK THE V.A.

By Donald Mauffray
Veterans Service Officer

VA, DoD combine efforts to improve health care

Better health care for veterans and active-duty service members and increased savings for taxpayers are the result of greater coordination between the Departments of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Defense (DoD).

An executive council of senior VA and DoD health care officials is improving communication between the two departments, finding ways in which their health-care systems can work together, proposing and conducting joint research projects, and reducing or eliminating overlap in the services each department provides.

"It makes sense for us to find ways to work together better," said Kenneth W. Kizer, MD, VA under secretary for health. "While our missions are different, the work of our two organizations in the health-care arena is very similar."

"What we're doing is combining the strength of our two organizations in ways that will enable us to provide world-class health care now and for many years to come."

"Improved collaboration between our two agencies is long overdue," said Edward C. Martin, MD, acting assistant secretary of defense for Health Affairs. "The initiatives we have begun to implement should make a major difference in the care we provide to those who so proudly serve our nation and those who have served so proudly in the past."

The two departments have already agreed to conduct joint exit physicals for service members who are returning to civilian life. Previously, DoD conducted an exit physical before separation, and VA would conduct another physical afterwards.

VA's requirements are now incorporated into DoD exit

physicals. Also, VA is conducting physicals for separating service members filing claims with the department before the person leaves service.

In addition, DoD and VA have agreed to create a committee to make it easier for the two departments to enter into reimbursable arrangements that are mutually beneficial.

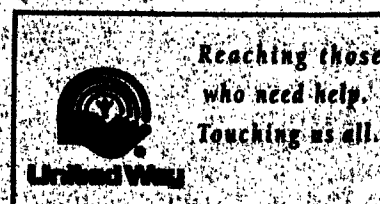
Other initiatives the executive council is working on include:

1. Developing a long-term effort that builds on the experience of the existing Joint Gulf War Illnesses Group through the establishment of a Joint Military and Veterans Health Coordinating Board.

2. Allowing both veterans and service members to make use of VA "Centers of Excellence" and DoD's "specialized Treatment System," which are specialized treatment centers within each department providing world-class care. Agreements have already been made to share VA's spinal cord injury, blindness, amputation and traumatic brain injury centers, and DoD's burn units.

3. Creating compatible, computer-based patient records to ensure a smooth transfer of information between DoD's and VA's health-care systems.

4. Working on ways the two departments can share existing automation and technological products and collaborate in the ongoing and future development of medical automation and technology.



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Receiving plaque

Hancock County supervisor Jeep Ladner, left, presents Bob "Swampy" Shipley a plaque of appreciation from the Board of Supervisors for his service to the county. Shipley retired after 25 years on the Road Maintenance crew, the last several serving as the crew's maintenance staff. (Echo staff photo by Ed

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IN AND AROUND DIAMONDHEAD

By Margaret Williamson

The Diamondhead Women's Club's fund-raiser for Alzheimer's and Huntington's will be Saturday, March 14, at the Community Center, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission will be \$8 per person. Art work of some of the Coast's wonderful talents, along with our own from Diamondhead, will be on display and for sale.

Remember Bob Songy and his love for Mother Earth and her environment? He expressed these feelings in his wonderful art, and you may acquire one of his numbered and signed prints at auction throughout the day.

Refreshments will be served, and all proceeds do go to the charities mentioned above.

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Law Vision Support Group Monday, March 9, 10 a.m. at the Community Center. Committee reports will be given. If you need a ride, call 255-1317.

PLAY CARDS WITH THE LIONS

The Diamondhead Lions Club is having a card social on St. Patrick's Day, Tuesday,

March 17, 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

Bridge, canasta and any card games may be played with a minimum of four players and using regular playing cards.

There will be prizes for the winners and door prizes for the ticket holders.

Donation is \$5 and for the Lions, always a good cause. Please call 255-9308.

ATTENTION D'HEAD PARENTS

Join the Diamondhead Youth Organization (DYO) "Serving the needs of our children of all ages."

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month, 7 p.m. at the Community Center. For information, call Anne Morris at 255-7175.

SELECTED NACE FELLOW

The National Association of Corrosion Engineers has selected Dr. Brenda J. Little of Diamondhead to receive a 1998 NACE Fellow award in recognition of her sustained contribution toward corrosion control.

Dr. Little is an adjunct professor at both Montana State University and the University

4th annual Spring Art Fling

of Southern Mississippi.

She has received several awards for scientific achievement and numerous other performance awards. Congratulations to Dr. Little.

RSVP TRIP

On April 8 to Jackson for the Splendor of Versailles Exhibit. The cost is \$48 per person. To register now is \$20 with the balance of \$18 due by March 10.

A continental breakfast will be served, and lunch is Dutch treat after the tour at Cracker Barrel. It may not be too late. Call the office at 467-9204.

EMPLOYEE OF MONTH

Guess who's POA's Employee of the Month? None other than Liz Carroll, who holds down the maintenance fort. Congratulations, Liz.

THOUGHTS TO SHARE

And time remembered is grief forgotten. And frosts are slain and flowers begotten.

And in green underwood and cover blossom by blossom the Spring begins.

It's in the air. Enjoy and have a great week.

Home Health seeks volunteers

Professional Home Health Agency is seeking volunteers to help improve the quality of life for homebound patients by assisting with everyday tasks.

Volunteers are needed to assist with running occasional errands/shopping, providing light housekeeping, performing hair care, providing much needed companionship to patients and assisting with community education activities.

Many home health patients find it difficult to complete these household tasks due to health condition and lack of family or friends to assist them.

Professional Home Health, which serves Jackson, George, Harrison, Stone, Hancock and

Pearl River counties, offers assistance in meeting these patient needs through its Volunteer Services Program.

Volunteers are provided a brief orientation and are given flexibility with volunteer responsibilities. Typically, volunteers are only required to devote one hour per week providing service. By offering a helping hand, volunteers are able to greatly improve the quality of life for many patients.

For information about the Volunteer Services Program at Professional Home Health, or if you are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact Penny Bishop, director of Volunteer Services at 386-7712 or 1-800-273-5212.

MILITARY

PFC LADNER

Marine Pfc. John O. Ladner, son of Barbara A. Perez of Kilm, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, and was promoted to his present rank. He is a 1997 graduate of Hancock High School.

PRC FINISTER

Marine Pfc. Deljon C. Finister, a 1995 graduate of Bay High School, has arrived in the Arabian Gulf with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked aboard the ships of the

USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group.

Finister joined the Marine Corps in March 1996.

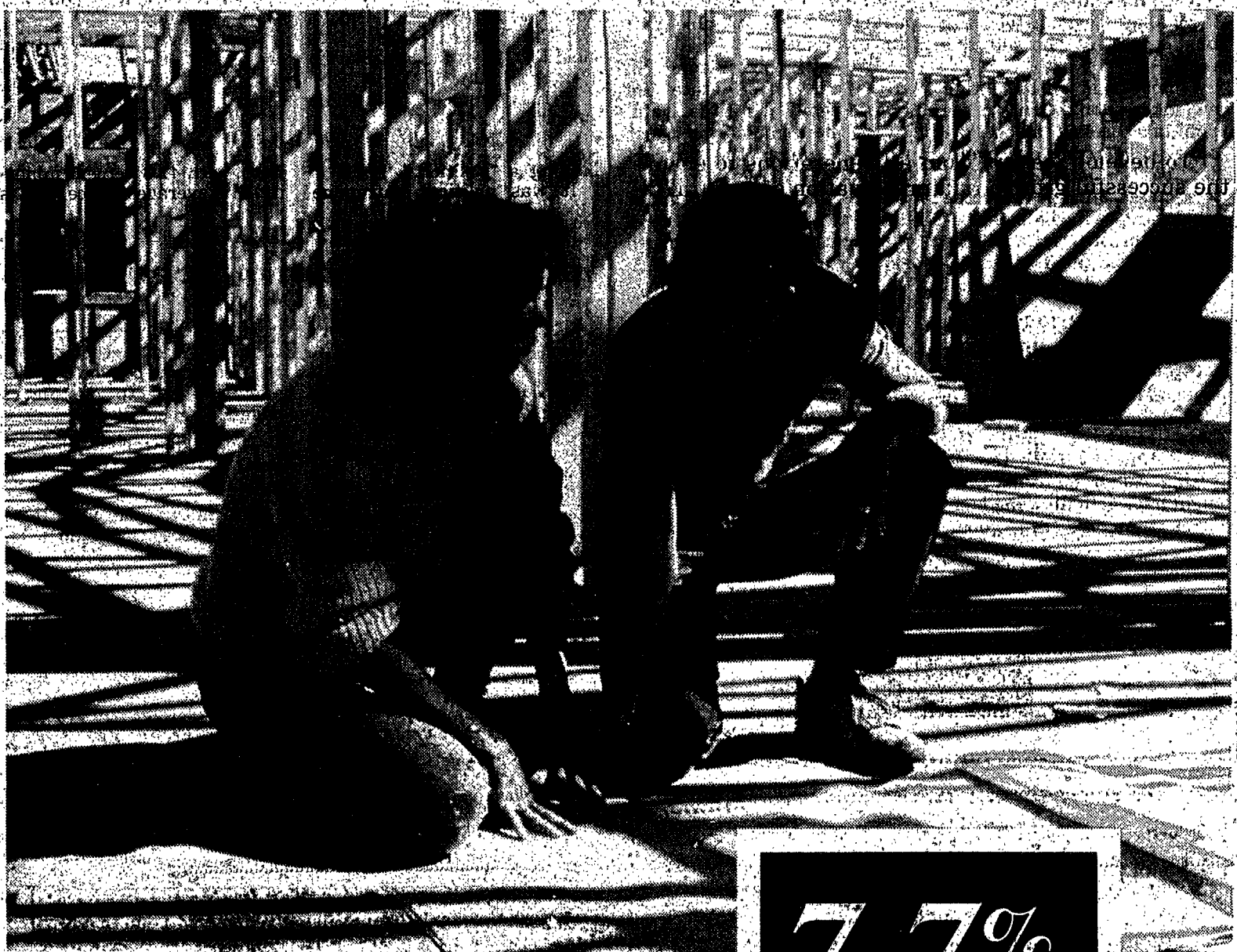
PFC COOMER

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Lawrence G. Coomer, son of Verl J. and Shellah E. Coomer of Waveland, has arrived in the Arabian Gulf with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked aboard the ships of the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group.

Coomer joined the Navy in August 1992.

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WCA pageant

The Waveland Civic Association recently held its annual Little Miss and Little Mr. Leprechaun Pageant. Winners are chosen by the amount of money they collect as part of a fund-raising drive for the Waveland Civic Association. Little Miss and Little Mr. Leprechaun will be presented at the annual Waveland Civic Association ball and will participate in the St. Patrick's parade. Pictured are, front row from left, Little Mr. Leprechaun Bryce Garber, Little Miss Leprechaun Lacie Garber and runner-up Roxanne Vincent; back row, WCA president Jay Fountain, treasurer David Garcia, and vice-president Shorty Necaise Jr.

Internet training

Internet training is scheduled for today at 7 p.m. in the Pass Christian Library.

The course is an introduction to the Internet, including what you can find, elementary searching techniques, what hardware and software are required and the differences between access and presence.

Explanations will be given of

typical words and terms used on the Internet, some tools you will need on the Internet and do's and don'ts and some interesting places to visit.

Class is being sponsored by Datasync and is free and open to the public. Hands-on training is not available, but the library computers can be used during open hours.

Free white dogwood trees

Ten free white flowering dogwood trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during March.

The trees are part of the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six- to 12-inch

trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to Ten Free Dogwood Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31.

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Zoning enforcement officer resigns

BY ED LEPOMA

Just four days after saying he thought he could work well with Willie Gavney, Hancock County's assistant zoning enforcement officer resigned his duties.

The Board of Supervisors accepted Neil Smith's resignation at their March meeting Monday, although he actually quit Feb. 19.

In his letter of resignation, Smith cited "incompatibility" as his reason for leaving, but indicated some friction had developed immediately between him and Gavney.

"I have met with some arbitrary and disrespectful opposition regarding my attempts to update and bring the operation of the zoning office into a more efficient and friendly service," Smith wrote in his letter. "I have found that my efforts have been in vain."

"I promised myself and my family that when my job was no longer fun I would withdraw," Smith wrote. "It is apparent

that Mr. Gavney and I are not of compatible natures. I shall not continue to have my abilities and innovative thinking rejected out of hand."

Smith said he realized the Board of Supervisors is in no position to remedy this situation, and added, "(I) do not wish to cause undue disruption of operations" so it was with regret and in the best interest of the county that he resigned.

At their mid-February meeting, supervisors reinstated Gavney to his post as Hancock County's chief zoning enforcement officer and building official after a Circuit Court jury acquitted him on a rape charge. Last September, Gavney took administrative leave without pay after he was indicted, but told supervisors he knew he would be exonerated and would come seeking his job back.

When supervisors agreed to reinstate Gavney, the Board called Smith from Planning Commission offices across the street from the Courthouse, and

Smith appeared before the board to hear the news that he was being demoted from acting chief to Gavney's assistant, a position he had been hired for after the Commission advertised the part-time job. Smith was told he would work no more than 30 hours per week at a rate of \$8 an hour, and he didn't appear to be stunned by the announcement.

Gavney would not comment on Smith's resignation, but shortly after being reinstated, he came and asked the Echo to place an announcement informing citizens that his office would be open during the noon to 1 p.m. lunch hour Mondays through Fridays.

He said after Smith took over, the practice was to close down the office during the lunch hour, creating an inconvenience for citizens who come down to conduct business on their lunch hour.

During his tenure at the

helm of the Zoning Office, the five-member Planning Commission gave Smith high marks for his organization and informational efforts.

Smith came to the job with a law degree and in Klamath Falls, Oregon, he served as zoning hearing officer, handling appeals from citizens to variances and disputes over zoning decisions.

Smith also had begun a series of informational handouts explaining the various zoning designations, and what citizens are allowed to build in each zone. The Echo ran a series of those articles, but Gavney Monday asked the Echo not to run anymore articles that Smith had authored.

The Planning Commission meets today, but Gavney said the decision would be up to the board on whether it wants to hire an assistant to replace Smith. Funds for the part-time position are included in the Commission's yearly budget.

Lawmakers stepping back to review

JACKSON, Miss. (AP)—Tough on crime in 1995 is giving way to reality in 1998.

Three years later, state prisons and county jails are filling up. Four hundred new inmates entered the state prison system in the past six weeks, said Rep. Bennett Malone, D-Carthage, chairman of the House Penitentiary Committee.

Lawmakers are reconsidering whether all defendants should serve 85 percent of their sentences as part of a truth-in-sentencing law.

A Senate-passed bill would reduce the 85 percent rule to 60 percent for defendants convicted of nonviolent crimes, such as burglary, writing bad checks and similar offenses.

Malone's committee will take a look at the bill this week.

Malone said he and other lawmakers don't want to see criminals backed up in the county jails as they once were. He said Department of Corrections officials view the Senate proposal as a means of getting inmates out of cells that could be filled with prisoners convicted of more violent crimes.

"This may be an area where we can get some relief. We're not just going to open the doors and release folks out. We need to be really selective. In some cases, I think the Legislature over-reacted in getting tough on crime. We might have actually done more harm than we did good,"

Malone said.

Corrections Department spokesman Ken Jones said the prison system had 15,600 inmates last week. Another 1,309 were being held in the county jails.

Jones said the DOC views the bill as a good management program for the inmate population. He said the department would continue to supervise the inmates but could move them into community work centers, education and training programs, house arrest and pre-release alcohol and drug programs to free up cells for other inmates.

Sen. Robert "Bunky" Huggins, R-Greenwood, the Corrections Committee chairman, said the DOC and lawmakers "didn't stumble into this by accident."

"We still are strong on crime in the state of Mississippi," Huggins said. "This mechanism—for those who fall under the 60 percent—would allow us when a man is in the last two years of his term to let him go to a work center or under house arrest where he goes to work to support himself and stays out of prison."

"Now all we do is give them a bus ticket and say bye and then we get them back," Huggins said.

Corrections officials had described lawmakers' hopes that truth in sentencing would deter other crimes as a "gamble" while at the same time entering into a multi-million

dollar prison building program.

Before the law took effect, inmates could be eligible for parole after serving about 30 percent of their sentences.

Huggins said other states where the 85 percent of sentence law exists allow 60, 50 or 40 percent on sentences for nonviolent crimes.

We are the only state, corrections officials tell us, that has the 85 percent on all crimes regardless," he said.

Black History Contest

The 15th annual Black History Month Oratorical Contest, sponsored by the Hancock County Branch NAACP and Iota Upsilon Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., was held Feb. 28 at St. Rose Parish Center in Bay St. Louis.

Prizes were awarded as follows: First: Britney Williams, Zack Nichols, Charlotte Boone and Tiffany Spencer.

USM offers seminar to improve telephone techniques

The University of Southern Mississippi will sponsor "The Clear Connection: Telephone Techniques" seminar March 26 in Jackson at Universities Center and March 27 in Biloxi at Broadwater Beach Resort Hotel.

The seminars, held from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., will teach participants how to turn complaints

into more business, be more confident and in control over the phone, and convey a professional image to customers, clients and suppliers.

The \$99 fee includes instruction, materials and refreshments.

For information or to register, call (601) 266-4186.

Opponents, such as Sen. Rob Smith, D-Richland, said no crime is victimless.

"People who are burglarized are just as terrorized, just as victimized as someone robbed or murdered. Now, we want to tell these people that the guy who did that to them is going to be on the streets in less time."

"At least, we ought to put all of them in jail to keep them out of homes and out of businesses," Smith said.

Second: Whitley Cann, Crystal Scratching, Ebony Nichols and Shree Boone.

Third: Courtney Cann and Daron Boone.

The program included a solo by Rev. L. E. Morris Sr. and words of inspiration by Toy Coles.

Judges were Dr. Donna Jones, Donna Holton, Gloria Jones, Bennetta Hatchett and Tracy Joseph.

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Governor cruises in luxurious Lincoln

JACKSON, Miss. (AP)—Gov. Kirk Fordice has his third new vehicle in three years, a sleek Lincoln Navigator that costs what the average Mississippian makes in about three years.

While his counterparts in other Southern states are more likely to be seen in four-door sedans, Fordice's preference is for sport utility vehicles.

He totaled a Jeep Grand Cherokee in a serious wreck in 1996 and replaced that in 1997 with a higher-scale Ford Expedition.

His latest vehicle is a black 1998 Navigator, complete with dark-tinted windows and all the extras, with a price tag in the \$46,000 range.

It is raising some eyebrows among lawmakers familiar with the conservative themes in his 1991 election and 1995 re-election.

"This just flies in the face of everything he says. He's always emphasizing being prudent with taxpayers' money," said Rep. Bennett Malone, D-Carthage. "The

average legislator is driving a clunker. My car is not worth the tag that goes on Fordice's vehicle."

Fordice spokeswoman Kim Gallaspy said the Navigator, which premiered last year, is being leased for about \$800 a month—paid for from the governor's budget.

He sometimes drives the Navigator alone, but is usually driven by a Highway Patrol officer, she said.

"In light of the governor's and lieutenant governor's recent accidents, we would have bought an armored car if one had been available," said Mark Garriga, Fordice's chief of staff.

Garriga said the Navigator and Expedition were chosen because of size and safety and "we make no apology for that."

"Within reason, he should be in something he feels comfortable in. He spends a lot of time on the road," said Rep. Mark Formby, R-Picayune.

Formby said taxpayers understand the governor deserves a nice vehicle.

"If he rolled up here to-

row in a \$120,000 Rolls Royce, they would care and care greatly," he said.

Fordice leased the Navigator through a dealership in his hometown of Vicksburg.

Billy Brown, a salesman at Tom Wimberley Auto World in Jackson, said since the Navigator made its debut last summer, they have been hard to come by.

"We get four or five a month, if we get that many, then they're gone. People like the overall appearance, the slickness it offers, the look. It's elegant," he said.

"You can go to the opera in this, then go off hunting. It's the best of both worlds," he said.

Fordice, a hunter, also has access to other vehicles, including Ford Crown Victorias like those used by the governors of Alabama and Tennessee and which are about half the price.

Most Mississippians do not drive in such style. The average vehicle value, according to tax records, is about \$5,000.

The average income is less than \$17,000.

Senate Appropriations Committee chairman Dick Hall, R-Madison, said he does not begrudge Fordice a luxury car.

"Some folks complain about anything. Some folks complain because we furnish the governor an antebellum home," Hall said. "I don't think he has to apologize, and I'm not going to apologize for paying that kind of price."

"If this is the one he wants, that's the one he'll have," Hall added. "I'm glad it's American-made."

Brown estimates about 60 percent of the Navigators at his dealership are leased. Standard on the four-wheel drive full-size sport utility vehicle is a security alarm, keyless entry and other features.

Sen. David Jordan, D-Greenwood, said a \$46,000 car is outrageous.

"That is a home for many low-to-average income Mississippi families," he said. "The governor's been hollering about the taxpayers' money. That to me is hypocrisy."

"The question is who is he trying to impress: taxpayers' expense?" said Jordan. "He claims he's for the taxpayers, then sticks it to us."

Wildlife photography seminar

Gulf Coast Research Laboratory invites all ages to "Capturing Images of the Wild," a lecture and slide show by award-winning wildlife photographer Tom Ulrich at 7-8:20 p.m. today in the dining hall of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.

The public is invited to Ulrich's discussion of animal behavior and photo techniques. Refreshments will follow the presentation.

Ulrich captures birds and mammals on film around the world. In this lecture he features slides taken of wildlife in the past year in Costa Rica, Galapagos Islands, Kenya and Tanzania, Trinidad, Tobago and North America. Ulrich has compiled a library of 120,000 transparencies, including more than 400 bird species and 100 mammal species.

A former high school biology teacher, Ulrich turned to freelance wildlife photography full-time in 1976. His photographs have been published in *National Wildlife*, *Audubon*, *Ranger Rick* and other publications.

His awards have included 1987 international wildlife photographer of the year in the animal behavior category and winner of the 1987 Outdoor Writers scavenger hunt photo contest.

Admission is free. Call 872-4200 for reservations.

GCRL is located at East Beach Drive and Halstead Road in Ocean Springs. The Laboratory is one of three Coast campuses of the University of Southern Mississippi's Institute of Marine Sciences.

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The Bay High School Band

Bay High Band invited to EPCOT

The Bay High School Band has received an invitation to perform in EPCOT at Walt Disney World in Orlando April 1-5.

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre is sponsoring a special encore performance of "A Tuna Christmas" Friday, March 6 at

7:30 p.m. to benefit the band. The theatre is donating all proceeds to the band's trip to Florida.

In addition to the performance March 6, the Little Theatre is sponsoring a silent

auction with items donated by local merchants. The auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Bay High Auditorium, and the performance will follow at 7:30 p.m.

Catchie Crider, Bay High band director, said, "I am so excited about the support the band has received from everyone. When the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre called me about donating all the proceeds from a special performance of 'A Tuna Christmas,' I was overwhelmed. And we've gotten all kinds of things for the silent auction from local merchants—gift certificates to restaurants, clothing, collectibles, etc. It's going to be a fun night March 6."

Tickets for "A Tuna Christmas" will be available at the door for \$10 per person.

For more information, call the Bay High Band Hall at 467-4772.

Mom of the Year seeking nominees

Mothers from across America will be honored during the "Mom USA 1998" nationally syndicated television pageant Saturday, April 18 in Tampa, Fla.

Mom USA pays all transportation, food and accommodations of the Mom finalist at this national event.

The winner, chosen from thousands of entries, will receive an array of prizes, including an all-expense-paid cruise for two to the Bahamas, trip to Florida, a gold watch, and chain with Mom USA logo charm in 14K gold.

The 1998 Mom USA show will be hosted by David Leisure, star of TV show *Empty Nest*, and special guest will be country music recording artist Ricky Van Shelton.

The 1998 Mom USA show will air nationwide on Mother's Day weekend, May 9-10.

Entries for the 1998 competition must be postmarked no later than Saturday, March 14. The Mississippi Mom of the Year winner will be crowned at a ceremony in her home town Saturday, April 4.

Each of the Mississippi 1998 Mom of the Year winners will

receive outstanding prizes. The Mississippi Mom of the Year winner will be eligible to compete for the national title "Mom USA 1998." Let everyone know your Mom is the best!

For further information on how to nominate your Mom, call 1-800-CALL-WVA (1-800-225-5982) or visit the Mom USA worldwide web site at <http://www.momusa.com>.

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Fee is \$4, and the instructor will be Jackie Magee. Call 452-9181 for information and registration.

SPORTS

COAST ECHO—THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1998

BETWEEN THE LINES

By Richard Meek

The road to Jackson for Bay High will not be paved in gold lined, nor will the team travel in a sparkling carriage. But the Lady Tiger's odyssey to the state semifinals has been nothing short of magical.

Bay High won the South State tournament Saturday in the Tigerdome and will play in the state semifinals March 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Oddly, the seeds of Bay High's success were planted in the worst of times for the Lady Tiger program. It was coach Debbie Triplett's first year when Bay High was forced to endure the humiliation only an 0-28 season can bring, a campaign that extended the Lady Tigers' losing streak to over 80 games.

On that team, however, watching the losses mount, was the cornerstone of Bay High's improbable rise from the lowly red dirt district to penthouse tenants. During that humbling season, Chanda Haley, Christina Bradley, Shannon Baker and Alicia Gavnagie were eighth graders, hardwood babes in Triplett's fledgling program.

Their maturity first turned into wins, then into division championships, three straight

to be exact. Two years ago, when Haley and playmates were sophomores, the Lady Tigers were stunned in the first round of the district playoffs only days after claiming their first Division 7-4A championship.

One year and another division title later, the Lady Tigers advanced to the quarterfinals in Jackson, only to be unceremoniously thumped by Yazoo City.

This year, the Lady Tigers are on the brink of a state championship, a fitting epilogue to a group that has blossomed under the tutelage of Triplett, one of the Coast's best basketball coaches of either gender.

"I thought (Haley, Bradley, Baker and Gavnagie) had a lot of potential but lacked in fundamentals," Triplett said as she recalled her first year on Blue Meadow Drive.

"I set (a state championship) as a goal, but whether they could achieve it, I did not know. Sometimes you lose kids along the way. But this group stuck together, continued to improve and have done everything I asked of them."

"When you look back at where they started from, this is

Dreaming the impossible dream

very rewarding," the fifth-year coach added. "The kids have spent a lot of time in the gym, in the summer, on weekends and going to camps. They have been very dedicated."

Haley is clearly the team leader, as evidenced by her performance in the playoffs. The Lady Tiger center is averaging over 30 points a game and is in double figures in rebounding in post-season play.

But if she is the mother who drives the team, then Shannon Baker is the ignition switch. Baker, who missed much of last year because she had moved away, settled comfortably back into her point guard position this year and directs the team like a well-seasoned quarterback.

Bradley is a deceptive forward, who will score 20 points in a most quiet fashion. She is always around the basket and scored a lot of her points through sheer hustle and determination.

Gavnagie was an offensive standout last year, but has struggled with her shooting this year. However, defensively she had been tenacious. It was her monster block in the first round of the playoffs that awoke a

sleeping Lady Tiger team. "Everybody has stepped up at one time or another," Triplett said. "These kids are on a mission. They know where they have come from, and they only have one goal, that is to win the state championship."

Baker called winning South State "an unbelievable accomplishment," but quickly added, "we aren't through yet."

Triplett said Haley has taken it upon herself to lead the team in the postseason.

"She has done what I expected her to do," Triplett said. "She's that kind of player. Her stepping it up has made the other kids step it up a little bit."

Haley, who spent last Saturday marching in an ROTC meet before the game, said she hopes last year's experience "will help us this year."

Bay High earned the ticket to Jackson with a 54-42 win over McComb on Saturday, but Triplett admitted it was not until Sunday that the reality of earning a state semifinal berth sunk in.

"It's been sort of unbelievable," she said. "Sometimes it's like a fairy tale. I knew we could do it, but I didn't know whether the kids thought they could."

If the Lady Tigers win on Tuesday, they would play Saturday for the state title. An invitation to the title dance is conceivable, Triplett said.

"We have a legitimate chance," she said. "Last weekend really helped them. I made them realize they could play with these other teams."

Five years ago, a state title seemed to be an impossible dream for a team that was picking up the pieces of an 0-28 season. Occasionally, however, dreams do come true.

Lady Tigers win South State

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II

Bay High's Lady Tigers claimed the Class 4A South State championship on Saturday with a 54-42 win over the McComb Lady Tigers at the Tigerdome.

Bay High will play March 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the state tournament in Jackson for the second consecutive season. The Lady Tigers of Bay High will go to Jackson as the number one seed from the south. McComb will advance to Jackson as the number two seed.

Coach Debbie Triplett stated, "The win feels great. The feeling is beyond words. Now, we will head to Jackson and take it one game at a time."

Chanda Haley gave perhaps the greatest performance by a Lady Tiger as she scored 31 points, grabbed 13 rebounds, tallied four steals, and blocked two shots. Haley lived up to her coach's billing as "...the core of our team."

Haley also went 8 for 8 at the charity stripe in the fourth quarter to put the game away for Bay High.

Haley commented, "I love to shoot free throws. I want the other team to foul so that I can go to the line."

McComb opened a 10-6 lead on the Lady Tigers in the first period when Jessica Woods hit a turnaround jumper with 2:41 left to play in the period. Alicia Gavnagie pulled Bay High to within one at 10-9 with a jumper at the :52 mark.

Bay High scored the first two baskets of the second period to take a 13-10 lead. McComb fought back to take a 16-15 lead when Woods sank a putback with 2:17 left in the first half. Bay High went into the intermission nursing a 19-18 lead.

In the second period, Haley had to leave the game in foul trouble but Bay High kept up their defensive pressure led by Gavnagie, Shannon Baker, and Keely Marshall to maintain the lead. Triplett stated, "At halftime, I told the girls that this game was ours and all we had to do was to go get it. We knew that McComb was getting tired and our plan was to push it right at them."

In the third period, the Lady Tigers pushed their lead to four points on two occasions only to see McComb fight back to tie the game led by Woods.

Late in the third period, both teams went on 6-0 runs. Haley led Bay High with four points on their run while Woods repeated the action for McComb. At the end of the third period the score was 33-33.

The fourth period belonged to Haley and Bay High. She scored 16 points and was perfect from the free throw line in eight tries

to put the game out of reach. With 1:15 left to play in the game, Bay High had built its biggest lead of the night at 52-42. Celebration began on the Bay High side as Christina Bradley iced the final two free throws for Bay High with 49 seconds left.

Shannon Baker, point guard for Bay High, commented, "It is an unbelievable accomplishment to win the South State title. But we aren't through yet!"

"We like to run and that helped us tonight. Chanda (Haley) was awesome tonight. She is the best that I've ever played with."

Gavnagie stated, "I feel great about going to Jackson and winning when we get there." Haley recalled, "All the pressure was off last night (Friday) when we beat West Jones. Tonight we were able to relax and play our game. I got into foul trouble in the first half but all the girls kept their composure when I went out. I am so proud of them."

"I was in a drill meet all day with the Air Force ROTC team.

Then, to come out tonight and win the South State title feels great."

Haley continued, "We are a step higher than we were last year at Jackson. I hope that our experience we gained last year will help us this year."

Gavnagie finished the night with six points, six rebounds, and two blocks. Baker had totals of two points, six rebounds, five assists, four steals, and two blocks. Bradley finished the night with 10 points and five rebounds.

Woods led McComb with 16 points while Colette White added 14 points.

In earlier action, the Mendenhall Lady Tigers downed the West Jones Lady Mustangs 57-55.

Erika Slayton had a game high 26 points for the Lady Mustangs in the loss while Amanda Walls added 15 points. Renee Coleman scored 25 points for Mendenhall and Chrys Bridges added 21 points.

Mendenhall advances to the state tournament as the number three seed from the south.

Lady Wildcats end season with 76-56 loss in regionals

Pearl River Community College's Lady Wildcats ended their 1998 basketball season Monday with a 76-56 loss to the Meridian Community College Lady Eagles in first round action of the Region 23 Women's Tournament in Clinton on the Mississippi College Campus.

The Lady Wildcats ended the season at 17-11. Meridian is 19-6 overall.

Meridian pulled out to a 10-4 lead to open the game, but PRCC battled back to tie things at 10—the only tied score in the game. The Lady Eagles increased their lead to 26-21 when they went on a 9-0 run to close out the first half with a 35-21 lead.

With 16:23 left in the game, the Lady Wildcats pulled within 4 — 38-34. The closest PRCC came after that point was 7 points with 4:30 left.

PRCC women's coach Holly Kirkland, who just finished her 11th season at The River, noted the tough, physical play.

Monday's finale marked the final game in a Lady Wildcat uniform for two-year senior center Punkin Byrd, who will be missed," said Coach Holly Kirkland.

Kirkland also said two standout sophomores, Allison

mine Baldwin 4, and Jessica Shunkin 3.

Kimberly Henry led Meridian with a game-high 27 points, while Jackie Winfield had 18.

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High School basketball tournament

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CLASS 5A BOYS

Starkville vs. No. 6 Biloxi, Thursday, 8 p.m.

No. 14 Gulfport vs. No. 4 Clinton, Friday, 2:30 p.m.

No. 17 Jackson Province vs. Starkville-Biloxi, winner, March 11, 8 p.m.

No. 2 Indianola Gentry vs. Gulfport-Clinton, winner, March 12, 2:30 p.m.

Championship game, March 14, 8 p.m.

CLASS 4A BOYS

No. 5 Canton vs. Crystal Springs, Wednesday, 8 p.m.

Brookhaven vs. Yazoo City, Thursday, 2:30 p.m.

No. 9 Stone Co. vs. Canton-Crystal Springs, winner, March 10, 8 p.m.

Aberdeen vs. Brookhaven-Yazoo City, winner, March 11, 2:30 p.m.

Championship game, March 14, 2:30 p.m.

CLASS 3A BOYS

Senatobia vs. Collins, Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Amite Co. vs. No. 7 Byhalia, Wednesday, 2:30 p.m.

No. 10 Morton vs.

Senatobia-Collins, winner, March 9, 8 p.m.

No. 3 West Bolivar vs. Amite Co.-Byhalia, winner, March 10, 2:30 p.m.

Championship game, March 13, 8 p.m.

CLASS 2A BOYS

Belmont vs. No. 15 Hinds Co. AHS, Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.

South Leake vs. Baldwin, Tuesday, 2:30 p.m.

No. 11 Choctaw Central vs. Belmont-Hinds AHS, winner, Saturday, 8 p.m.

Calhoun City vs. South Leake-Baldwin, winner, March 9, 2:30 p.m.

Championship game, March 13, 2:30 p.m.

CLASS 1A BOYS

Falkner 65, Mount Olive 60, Montgomery Co. 63, Durant 47.

Dexter vs. Falkner, Friday, 8 p.m.

No. 12 Ingomar vs. Montgomery Co., Saturday, 2:30 p.m.

Championship game, March 14, 2:30 p.m.

Speedway prepares for season opener

Final test and tune days were concluded Feb. 28 at Sun Coast Speedway in Pass Christian.

March 12, 8 p.m.

CLASS 5A GIRLS

Jackson Lanier vs. Jackson Province, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Meridian vs. Clinton, Friday, 1 p.m.

No. 1 Jackson Murrah vs. Jackson Lanier-Jackson Province, winner, March 11, 6:30 p.m.

No. 2 Greenville vs. Meridian-Clinton, winner, March 12, 1 p.m.

Championship game, March 14, 6:30 p.m.

CLASS 4A GIRLS

No. 7 Noxubee Co. vs. Mendenhall, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

McComb vs. Neshoba Central, Thursday, 1 p.m.

No. 10 Bay St. Louis vs. Noxubee Co.-Mendenhall, winner, March 10, 6:30 p.m.

No. 4 Oxford vs. McComb-Neshoba Central, winner, March 11, 1 p.m.

Championship game, March 14, 1 p.m.

CLASS 3A GIRLS

Alcorn Central vs. No. 9 Velma Jackson, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Vancleave vs. Senatobia, Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Hazlehurst vs. Alcorn Central-Velma Jackson, winner, March 9, 6:30 p.m.

Yazoo Co. vs. Vancleave-Senatobia, winner, March 10, 1 p.m.

Championship game, March 13, 6:30 p.m.

CLASS 2A GIRLS

Belmont vs. No. 5 Choctaw Central, Tuesday, 9 a.m.

Bay Springs vs. No. 6 West Tallahatchie, Tuesday, 1 p.m.

Newtown vs. Belmont-Choctaw Central, winner, Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

Bruce vs. Bay Springs-West Tallahatchie, winner, March 9, 1 p.m.

Championship game, March 13, 1 p.m.

CLASS 1A GIRLS

Ingomar 69, Lake 56

Bogue Chitto 64, Falkner 53

McAdams vs. Ingomar, Friday, 6:30 p.m.

No. 15 West Union vs. Bogue Chitto, Saturday, 1 p.m.

Championship game, March 12, 6:30 p.m.

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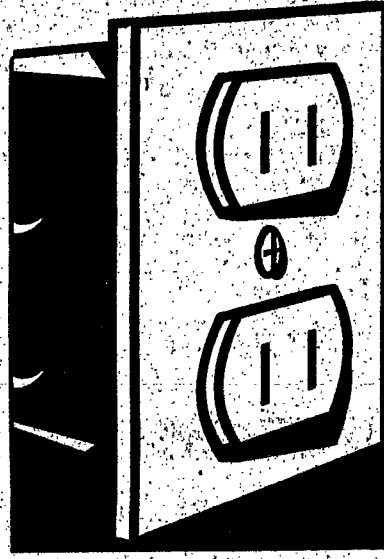
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Baseball roundup

Hancock ran its record to 5-0 with a doubleheader sweep of Perry Central Saturday at Perry Central.

The Hawks won the first game 11-0 and the second 9-0. David Larson, 2-0, struck out seven for the Hawks in the opener.

Darryl Williams, Michael Ball, Breeze Brockhoff and David Flowers collected two hits each for Hancock. Ball had three RBI and Shaun Necaie two.

The Hawks broke open a 3-0 game with an eight-run fifth. In the second game, Luke Christiansen picked up his first win of the year. He struck out four.

Brandon Ladner had two RBI for Hancock.

The Hawks struck for six first inning runs, added one in the third and closed out the scoring with a pair in the fourth.

The Hawks play host to Columbia on Friday. The junior varsity game is set for 5 p.m., and the varsity game at 7 p.m.

In other games, St. Stanislaus 4, Oak Grove 2—Steven Knight collected three hits and Kyle Foster two RBI in the Rocks Division 7-4A opener at Stanislaus.

Justin Gunter, 1-2, allowed four hits and struck out three for Stanislaus, 3-4, 1-0.

SSC will host Petal on Friday at 7 p.m., and participate in the Biloxi Tournament on Saturday.

Bay High 13, Pearl River Central 9—Casey Weems had two hits and three RBI as the Tigers won their first game after three season opening losses.

Brandon Dupuy, 1-1, struck out nine for Bay High.

Bay High will be in Picayune on Friday and Collins on Saturday.

The next time the gates open Saturday, March 7 at 3:30 p.m. it will be for the season opener.

Races are scheduled to get underway at 7 p.m. featuring Late Model, Pro Stocks, IMCAs, Street Stock and Rookies.

The Cajun Winged Sprints are scheduled to be on the program twice each month beginning April 11 and continuing through August.

The Winged Outlaw Mini Sprints are featured on five different occasions beginning April 4.

Rick's Furniture Late Model Series has been set for June 20 and Aug. 29. Other programs will be announced as they are scheduled.

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D'head golf results

Diamondhead Country Club announces Feb. 19 winners of the annual PAL Tournament on the Pine Course.

First Division

First: Joan Inman and Marcia Marshall

Second: Mary Clare Skaggs and Margaret Hill

Third: Joyce De Bruyn and Jan Masimore

Fourth: Pat Brandenburg and Sue Hebert

Fifth: Brenda Hendrickson and Jimmie Sandel

Second Division

First: Barbara Green and Joanne Smith

Second: Darlene Ray and Dot Vines

Third: Nettie Dean and Beverly Bruce

Fourth: Vi Kirk and Peggy Britson

Fifth: Gloria Landry and Alberta Alley

Closest to the pin prizes were distributed to Clee Watson and Darlene Ray.

Diamondhead Women's Golf results

Diamondhead Women's Golf announces Feb. 26 Florida Scramble results:

First: Mamie Calmes, Merle Willemet and Donna Ritchie.

Second: Carol Begley, Retha Vincent, Beverly Bruce and Jan Masimore.

Morning Glory bowling results

Feb. 16

Carla Santiago 238 - 664; Heidi Pollard 230, Muriel Organo 223 - 699; Earline Vix 221, Carol Gullino 221, Judi Marks 219, Rochelle Buchanan 218, Joan Paxon 217, Julie Keith 217 - 655; Sharon Paxon 214, Elaine Smith 214 - 655; Nancy Noe 213 - 655.

Guy signs with PRCC

St. Stanislaus senior Ben Guy recently signed to play college football with Pearl River Community College.

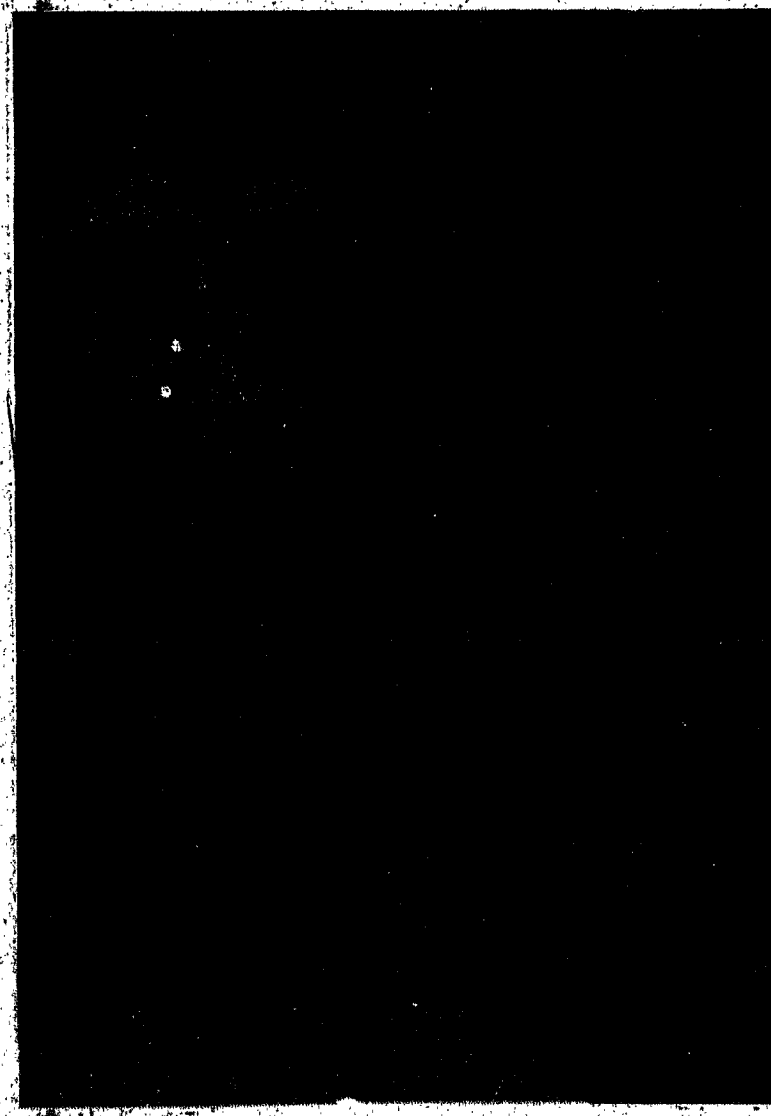
Mike Humphreys, assistant football coach at PRCC, came to St. Stanislaus to acknowledge that Guy will have the chance to continue his football career as an inside linebacker.

Guy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Guy of Bay St. Louis, is a member of the football team, the track team, Followship of Christian Athletes, Students Against Driving Drunk, and CYO.

Guy has been awarded Student of the Month, the Harry Glover Most Improved Player football Award, 7-4A Division honorable mention football team, and All-Conference for football.

During his senior year, Guy was responsible for 90 tackles, 31 solo tackles, 3 forced fumbles with 1 recovery, and 1 point after touchdown block.

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Doug Kershaw scheduled

National recording artist Doug Kershaw will bring his unique blend of Cajun country music to the Coast in March. Boomtown Casino will showcase this talent March 12 in Boots Cabaret at 7 and 9 p.m.
Kershaw, known as the Ragin' Cajun, is considered by most to be the king of fiddle players. A native of Teill Ridge, La., Kershaw made his debut at age nine in a swampy honky-tonk called The Bucket of Blood.
By the time he was 18, he and his brothers had formed a band and become popular Louisiana entertainers.

After garnering regional acclaim, Kershaw signed with Hickory Records in Nashville and introduced his style of Cajun country music to the charts with great success. In 1961, a tune Kershaw had written about his father and the way life was in their bayou home hit the country charts. "Louisiana Man" became Kershaw's signature tune.

"I definitely have my own style," Kershaw admits. "I play rhythm, melody and lead at the same time. I didn't know I wasn't supposed to do it that way, because I haven't had any formal schooling in music. I've had no rules to go by. I just play hard. I didn't always tear the bows apart though, that's just got to be a part of my show, an expensive part."
Having mastered 28 different instruments, many of Kershaw's peers, including Jimmy

C. Newman, consider him as the best musician, singer, songwriter and performer to ever come out of southwest Louisiana.

Guests may pick up free reserved seating passes at The Gold Nugget gift shop beginning March 6. The gift shop is open daily, 8 a.m.-12 a.m. There is a two-drink minimum per person to attend each show. The two-drink minimum (\$5) cost must be paid when guests pick up a free reserved seating pass. Must be 21 to attend. Contact the Players Club for more details.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Bossier City operation continues to be top producer for Casino Magic

Casino Magic Corp. (Nasdaq: CMAG) has reported revenues of \$63.2 million for the fourth quarter ended Dec. 31, 1997, compared to revenues of \$51.5 million for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1996, an increase of \$11.7 million or 22.8%.

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization ("EBITDA") was \$11.5 million for the fourth quarter ended December 1996 compared to \$8.8 million of the fourth quarter ended December 1996. Net loss for the fourth quarter was \$3.0 million, or 8 cents per share, compared to a loss of \$1.2 million, or 40 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1996.

The EBITDA improvement for the quarter was at all business segments. Bay St. Louis increased \$7 million or 18.6%; Biloxi \$2 million or 19.2%; Argentina \$4 million or 48.4%; Bossier City \$5.0 million or 1,500%.

In addition to property level EBITDA improvements, Casino Magic's corporate overhead expense declined \$1.3 million or 53.8%.

The quarterly results included a \$1.3 million charge related to the write-off of the company's equity investment in Royal Casino Group. In January 1998, Royal Casino Group discontinued operations at its principal operating property, the Goldigger Hotel and Gaming Establishment located in Deadwood, S.D.

The quarterly results for 1998 included preopening charges of \$6.6 million related to the opening of Casino Magic-Bossier City. Exclusive of those charges, the quarterly pre-tax loss from operations for 1997 and 1996 is \$1.2 million and \$3.5 million, respectively.

For the year ended Dec. 31, 1997, revenues were \$261.5 million compared to revenues of \$190.3 million for the year ended Dec. 31, 1996. EBITDA was \$44.3 million compared to \$33.7 million in 1996.

The EBITDA improvement for 1997 was the result of a full year of contribution from the Bossier City facility, higher contributions from Bay St. Louis and Argentina, and lower corporate overhead.

This was offset partially by a lower EBITDA contribution from the Biloxi facility which has a hotel under construction scheduled for opening in the early summer of 1998.

1997 results included a net pre-tax gain of \$1.4 million related to certain assets sales. 1996 result included net pre-tax charges of \$26.1 million related to the sale of Casino Magic joint venture in Greece and pre-opening costs associated with opening Casino Magic-Bossier City.

Exclusive of those items, the pre-tax loss from operations for 1997 and 1996 is \$4.4 million and \$6.7 million, respectively.

Net loss for the year was \$5.2 million, or 15 cents per share, compared to a net loss for 1996 of \$31.6 million, or 88 cents per share.

As previously announced, Casino Magic has entered into a merger agreement with Hollywood Park, Inc., in which shareholders of Casino Magic will have the right to cash consideration of \$2.27 per share.

The agreement calls for Casino Magic to become a wholly owned subsidiary of Hollywood Park. Hollywood Park will assume all existing debt. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals, shareholder approval and other considerations.

REVENUES:

Quarter ended Dec. 31, 1997
Bay St. Louis \$20,186,000
Biloxi 14,172,000
Argentina 4,153,000
Bossier City 24,729,000

Year ended Dec. 31, 1997
Bay St. Louis \$88,414,000
Biloxi 62,310,000
Argentina 17,545,000
Bossier City 93,205,000

Casino Magic Corp., with principal offices in Bay St. Louis, operates gaming casinos, through subsidiaries in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi, Bossier City, La., Neuquen City and San Martin de los Andes, Argentina.

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Chamber to host seminars

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce will be presenting a series of seminars for small businesses throughout the year. The next seminar will be held Tuesday, March 10, 8-10 a.m. at the Chamber Office, 412 Hwy. 90, Suite 8, Bay St. Louis.

The seminar is "Department of Labor Rules and Regulations." The instructor is Jack Cavanaugh, U.S. Department of Labor, along with a representative from the Gulf Coast Business Services Corporation.

forced by the U.S. Department of Labor, such as overtime pay, child labor laws, employees and minimum wage, as well as information on the Job Training Partnership Act.

These seminars will be presented on a monthly basis through December. Times and locations may vary each month, so watch for a release on each for the details.

Contact the Chamber Office at 467-9048 to make reservations. Seating is limited. Fee is \$15 and must be paid in advance. To prepay, mail check payable to USM SBDG and mail

to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

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Dedeaux and Cuevas tour Alcan

Recently State Representative Dirk Dedeaux and State Senator Scottie Cuevas took a tour of Alcan Cable in Bay St. Louis.

Alcan Cable manufactures aluminum wire and cable. Most of it is sold to electric companies who use it for power lines. The company is a division of Alcan Aluminum which is based in

Cleveland, Ohio. In 1980, when Alcan first became strongly rooted in Hancock County it employed 44 people.

That number has grown to 130 over the past 18 years. Presently Alcan ships \$60 million worth of cable out of Bay St. Louis. The economic impact on

Hancock County is \$11 million.

Alcan's success is not merely due to its cutting edge manufacturing technology. The company has over time improved its human resource efficiency by adopting a unique management philosophy which stresses employee involvement and accountability.

By removing supervisors and organizing shift crews into teams the company has improved employee morale and productivity.

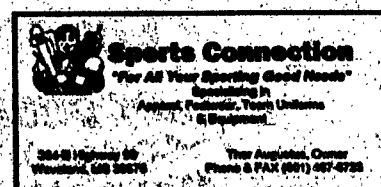
As a result the plant has received several awards, including the Liberty Mutual Silver Award for its safety practices which have achieved a new benchmark for the industry.

Pierre Langevein, general manager of Alcan Cable, welcomed Dirk Dedeaux and Scottie Cuevas to tour Alcan and see how the company worked.

Cuevas and Dedeaux made a special trip to see the company firsthand.

"Government should make an effort to understand the businesses which drive the state's economy," said Dedeaux.

Cuevas commented, "Coming here will help us understand how the decisions we make in Jackson affect the average people who work in our local factories."



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COMMUNITY REVIEW

Rack & Roll The Donald's Arcade

For an exciting and fun evening, visit Rack & Roll The Donald's Arcade, located at 2395 Rocky Hill Road, Bay St. Louis. This family-oriented establishment features brilliant tables and the latest in video games and amusement machines.

Rack & Roll The Donald's Arcade features pocket billiard tables along with cue sticks, racks, balls and good lighting. Everything you need for a fun evening of pool is here. There are also video games featuring action, sports and strategy games. So, if you're looking for a fun evening, Rack & Roll The Donald's Arcade is the place to go. All of their tables and games are kept in top condition and they have a lot to offer you. For the sporting enthusiast, they have color TVs for you to enjoy your favorite sports.

The atmosphere at Rack & Roll The Donald's Arcade is relaxed and casual, and pizza, corn dogs, hot wings, barbecue beef and ham and chicken sandwiches are available at their snack bar for your perfect place for relaxing new people, having fun with friends or just a quiet evening. The staff and management care to all their customers, and you're sure to feel truly welcome. They have a lot to offer you, so come in and see for yourself. Rack & Roll The Donald's Arcade is the place to go for an evening of fun and relaxation.

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TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM REVIEW LOCATIONS:

Central Mississippi Planning & Development Dist, 1170 Lakeland Dr, Jackson, MS	001-981-1511
Gulf Regional Planning Commission, 1232 Pass Rd, Gulfport, MS	001-864-1167
Hattiesburg Dept of Planning and Community Dev, 200 Forest St, Hattiesburg, MS	001-545-4501
Memphis - Shelby County Off of Plan & Dev, 125 N Mid America Mall, Memphis, TN	001-576-6788
Meridian Community Development Dept, City Hall, 601 24th Ave, Meridian, MS	001-485-1810
MDOT District 1 Office, 1006 N Gloster St, Tupelo, MS	001-842-1122
Aberdeen Project Office, 51787 Highway 25 South, Aberdeen, MS	001-369-8411
Corinth Project Office, Highway 45 Bypass @ Golding Dr, Corinth, MS	001-286-3629
New Albany Project Office, Highway 178 East, New Albany, MS	001-534-5121
Starkville Project Office, Highway 82 East, Starkville, MS	001-323-4545
MDOT District 2 Office, Highway US North, Batesville, MS	001-563-4541
Clarksdale Project Office, 16575 Highway 61 North, Lyon, MS	001-824-0448
Greenwood Project Office, Highway 49 South, Greenwood, MS	001-463-7430
Grenada Project Office, 1517 Jackson Ave, Grenada, MS	001-228-3351
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Oxford Project Office, 2000 Old Taylor Rd, Oxford, MS	001-234-6521
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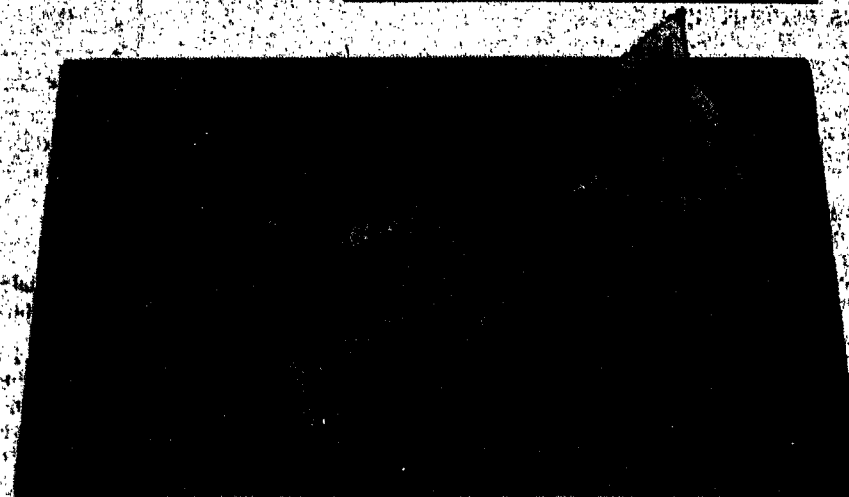
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AFFORDABLE CAR CARE: Complete detail, \$40; Wash and Vacuum, \$15. Pick-up and delivery from your work or home. 467-7845.

AFTER MARDI GRAS, time to fix your home. Call Keri's house painting for free estimates. Quality work at reasonable cost. Also, pressure washing. Licensed, insured, references. 467-1538.

ALL TYPE ROOFS REPLACED AND REPAIRED, sweep off roofs, metal roofs coated. 25 years experience, work guaranteed. Free estimates. Call J. Jahuary 467-9493.

B & B DUMP TRUCK & TRACTOR SERVICE: Gravel, fill dirt, top soil. Lots cleared, dozer work. 466-4320.

B & B'S TRASH HAULING, grass cutting & clean-up. 463-1859.

B & L PRESSURE WASHING: We do houses, brick homes, trailers, driveways & walkways. 255-5767, ask for Billy or Linda.

BOBCAT SERVICE: Rent equipment with operator. Moving & leveling dirt, rocks. Call Steve. Free estimates. 255-2676.

BULKHEAD'S BOAT DOCKS, BOAT launches. 25 years experience. 463-9451, Joe, Bourgeois.

FILL DIRT, SAND, TOP SOIL & mulch. Small demolition (houses, concrete & trees). 601-255-4291 or pager 880-4711.

FILL SAND, SANDY CLAY, GRAVEL, limestone, top soil. Call James. 467-3400.

FREE ESTIMATES: WE WILL GIVE your home the personal touch & professional look it deserves. Housecleaning, new home construction clean-up, decorating assistance, interior painting, wallpapering & borders. Call 228-463-0710.

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LEMOINE'S WELL WORKS & PUMP REPAIRS. Pumps, tanks & supplies. Shallow wells & deep wells. Free estimates, senior citizen discount. 463-9927.

PAINTING & PRESSURE WASHING, exterior and interior. Free estimates. Lewis Tillman, 467-8235.

PERCY'S MARINE SERVICE, 903 Shipp St., Waveland, Ms. 467-8058.

PLAIN OR PATTERNED CONCRETE: Forming and finishing driveways, walkways, patios, pool decks. Also slate, brick, cobblestone patterns stamped in your concrete in a wide range of colors. Call 468-3384.

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SITTERS AVAILABLE TO SIT WITH the elderly or disabled. Call Guardian Angel Sitting Service. 601-799-3857.

SONNY'S DUMP TRUCK SERVICE: Fill dirt, top soil, sand, gravel, dirt spread & bushhog, haul trash, clear lots. 467-9507.

SPRING IS COMING! LET ME CLEAN your house, wash your windows, clean your yard or clean & wax your car at your home. References. 468-5220.

56 Services Offered

STARLITE PRODUCTIONS: PROFESSIONAL D.J., rock/country, oldies. We specialize in wedding receptions, school functions, benefits, private parties. Highest quality at lowest prices. 255-1966, leave message.

TEACHERS SEEKING HOUSECLEANING JOBS. Available for interview. Work hours, after school/weekends. Call 601-798-1430, 601-798-1790.

WATERWELL DRILLING: Pumps, tanks. Free estimates. 255-5811. State licensed.

58 Lawn & Garden

A CALL TO CHARLIE'S LAWN & YARD SERVICE: For free estimates. Grass cutting, weed eating, trash hauling, etc. Call anytime. (601) 467-1577 or (601) 467-4266.

FOR GRASS CUTTING, trimming, clean-up, painting, and hauling trash away call 467-5626. Very reasonable prices.

GRASS CUTTING, FREE ESTIMATES. Reliable, reasonable prices. Call 466-5657.

LAWN CARE, QUALITY WORK, FREE estimates, references available. 467-2394 or 468-2736.

RELIABLE LAWN SERVICE: YARDS cut, trimmed, garden tilled. References and free estimates. Call 467-7282.

66 Child Care

CHILD CARE IN MY HOME, 24 HRS. a day, 7 days a week. 255-1283.

PRE-SCHOOL: 2-3 Yr. olds, Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00-12:00; 4-5 yr. olds, Mon-Wed-Fri, 8:00-12:00. Transportation to babysitter provided at noon. Call 467-5626.

73 Help Wanted

HANCOCK MEDICAL CENTER is currently hiring for the following positions: OCCUPATIONAL NETWORK COORDINATOR; Opportunity for an aggressive enthusiastic people-oriented person to market/coordinate Hancock Medical Center's new occupational medicine program. Medical professional or medical experience preferred. Occupational medicine/risk management experience a definite plus. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN; MLT (ASCP) or equivalent, AS/AA degree in medical laboratory technology or sciences. Must meet CLIA requirements: HANCOCK MEDICAL CENTER offers competitive salaries and excellent benefits including state retirement. Interested parties should apply at HANCOCK MEDICAL CENTER, 149 Drinkwater Blvd., or mail resume to Human Resources, P.O. Box 2790, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521-2790.

LGE FAB CO. IN ST. BERNARD Parish now hiring: Tigertick combo welders, welders helpers, Pipefitters (stainless). Must pass 6G test. GNOIEC a plus. Field and shop work. Day and night shift. 504-278-3800.

73 Help Wanted

FRIENDLY CASHIERS WITH SMILING faces. Dairy Queen, Hwy. 90, Waveland. 467-2211.

GREAT SECOND INCOME! EARN \$100 - \$1000 weekly. Work from Home/Office stuffing envelopes. FREE postage, supplies. Simple, profitable. RUSH self addressed stamped envelope: HOME BASED EMPLOYERS OF AMERICA, P.O. BOX 78097, DEPT. ECHO, NASHVILLE, TENN. 37207-8097.

EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS AVAILABLE: help needed Smoke Stop One, deli convenience store. Deli experience is a must. Must be 18 years of age and have valid Mississippi drivers license. Apply in person after 12:00 noon. 8441 Kiln Delisle Road, Pass Christian.

73 Help Wanted

ARE YOU TIRED OF WORKING A JOB with no advancement opportunity? If you have at least a high school education consider a career with Burger King. For a confidential interview call Jerry Pichon at 255-8522.

BURGER KING DIAMONDHEAD: now hiring dependable crew members, part-time or full-time flexible schedule available, morning, afternoon or nights. Apply in person, no phone calls please.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE needed for local business. Full-time position includes customer service and computer duties. Attention to detail, good people skills and organizational skills a plus. Employer provides medical/dental disability/401K/pension benefits. Send resume to CSR, % Sea Coast Echo, P.O. Box 2009, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

HENLEY FIREWOOD

Oak Firewood ♦ Hickory & Kindling Available, Too
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10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Holiday Inn ♦ Waveland ♦ 404 Hwy. 88

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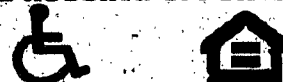
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73 Help Wanted

LOOKING FOR MANAGEMENT TRAINING: Must have people skills and ambience. Serious inquiries only. Fax resume to: 801-822-0757.

EXPERIENCED BURGLAR/FIRE ALARM installer or will train with training program, benefits, good driving record important. 467-0030.

MALE HIGH SCHOOLER OR YOUNG ADULT needed to train for youth work, sports and ministry. For job interview, call Father Monty at 228-466-2767.

MIRAMAR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for the following positions: "housekeeping", "floor care", "maintenance", "laundry/dryer", "dietary". Day & night positions available. Experience not necessary but must be motivated & willing to learn. Outstanding benefits & wages. Apply in person, 216 W. Beach Blvd, Pass Christian. EOE/DFW-FREE work place.

NOW HIRING: Heavy equipment operators experienced with motor grader, loader, track hoe, Necale Construction Co., 9483 County Farm Road, Gulfport, MS. Tel. 228-832-5412.

PART-TIME AND SUBSTITUTE HELP for Sun Herald paper delivery in Diamondhead. Call 255-8538.

PERSONAL CARE NEEDED for handicapped male, also light housekeeping. 467-7671.

PERSONAL CARE for gentle elderly gentleman. Light housekeeping and references required. Must have own transportation. Full-time position, 3-11 p.m. needed and part-time all 3 shifts available. 466-3421, Waveland area.

RESIDENTIAL PAINTER NEEDED. Experienced only. Others need not apply. 467-0899.

STENNIS CHILD DEV. CTR., Stennis Space Center, MS, is accepting appl. for teachers, subs and full time cook. Regs: HS Diploma or GED. Salary based on Educ. and Exp. EEO employer. Send resume to S.C.D.C. Road H, Bldg. 2120, SSC, MS 39529.

STYLIST WANTED FOR GROWING SALON in Diamondhead area. Call 255-0995.

TIRE TOWN TEAM
One of South Louisiana & Mississippi's leading independent tire dealer's has career opportunity for you. If you are an experienced tire technician, we want to talk to you. We offer a very competitive compensation program. 342 Hwy 90, Waveland. Call Joe, 467-0895. Tire Town is an Equal Opportunity Employer encouraging qualified females and minorities to apply.

TRUCK DRIVER NEEDED WITH CDL 255-9727.

WANTED: PERSON TO WRITE BAIL BONDS. Must be 21 years old, no criminal record & professional appearance. Call between 10am-4pm. Monday-Friday only. Gene Newman, 601-948-2245.

81 Appliances

NOW OPEN. APPLIANCE PARTS PLACE. Sales on new & used parts & appliances. Located on Hwy. 603, Div. of Dollar Rental. 467-9545.

REBUILT WASHERS AND DRYERS: Fully guaranteed. We have parts and do repair. We also buy used appliances. Bay Washers. 467-6122.

REFRIGERATORS, DISHWASHERS, air conditioners. Clean used appliances. 30 day guarantee. 467-9727.

FOR SALE: REFRIGERATORS, FREEZERS, washers/dryers, OR rent to own. Dollar Rental. 467-9545.

83 Items For Sale

3 SHOWCASES, 1 JEWELRY CASE, antique glass case & base, 1 card rack for sale. 211 Main St., BSL, MS.

ALUMINUM WINDOWS AND AN 8FT. sliding door, \$150. Call 466-8286.

BOB'S LIVE CRABS: open after 12 noon. Pleasure St., Lakeshore. 467-6814.

CAPTAIN TIMMY'S OYSTERS \$15.00 a sack. Call 467-1727.

FOR SALE: STATIONARY BIKE by Vita-master. Work-out for arms and legs. Motor included. \$50. Call 467-9438 after 5:00 p.m.

HOTEL AIR & HEAT UNITS, 1400 BTU, \$150. 467-9727.

KENMORE SEWING MACHINE W/ CABINET, \$95; Duncan grill, \$95. 255-1027.

OFFICE FURNITURE: 36"x72" desk w/ computer table return & extra table, \$450; 36"x60" desk w/extra return, \$300; Computer table w/wahelers & printer stand, \$75; 4 drawer legal file cabinet, \$90. Call George, 467-0872, Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm.

OFFICE TABLES, CHAIRS, DESKS, computer tables, Credenza drafting table, file cabinets. 467-9727.

WINTER INVENTORY CLEARANCE! Buy the strongest building on earth, protect yourself against mother nature. Huge savings on workshops and garage. Ready for delivery. Call 800-341-7007.

84 Furniture

HOTEL DRESSERS, MIRRORS, night-stands, lamps, spreads, coffee tables, and tables. L.V.S. 467-9727.

MATRESS SETS: TWIN, FULL, queen & King. Starting at \$50. 467-9727.

84 Furniture

CYPRESS PRIMITIVES: JELLY CABINET \$225; Small cupboard/pantry \$185; Deacone bench \$195; Rocker \$150; trunk \$125; Queen size dresser \$295; Blonde Oak night table \$750; "Whimsical" 1910-20's twin bedstead and 5 pcs. \$750; Blonde oak wash stand \$250; Arts and crafts blonde oak bureau \$295. Lots of antique chairs, tables, dressers, chest of drawers, etc. Family Warehouse of good furniture and antiques. 134 Sycamore St. Daily 9-5. Dealers and credit cards welcome. 467-8357.

85 Building Materials

CERAMIC TILE: InterCeramic, Summitville, DAL, KPT, Laufen, 500,000 sq.ft. in stock. Attention: Builders, Floormen, special prices, 88¢ sq.ft. to \$1.80 sq.ft. 1-800-233-8702. **FLOOR STORE,** Slidell, 1725 Gause Blvd, off I-10, next to Smith & Jones, Bulldog.

METAL ROOFING/SIDING: 8 colors galv. to 24ft. length. 38" wide 28 ga. galv. 96¢ ft. Colors, \$1.19 ft. V-crimp & corrug. 64¢ ft. Ridge cap, rake & corner, pull-in \$1.00 ft. Roofing/Sliding from \$14.90 sq. Warehouse Sales, Slidell, LA Exit, 263, I-10; 800-842-6646.

90 Pots

FREE TO GOOD HOME: 10 month old male tab & chow mix. Black looks like lab & 1 1/2 year old long haired red dog with yellow eyes, also, male. Looking for good home to take both. Very playful. Call day or nite. 466-9128.

LAB PUPPIES FOR SALE. Some black, brown, cream color. 5 weeks old. Mother on site. No papers, \$50 each. Call 255-5273/leave message.

93 Yard Sale

YARD SALE: ROCK OF THE BAY CHURCH, 1804 Nicholson Ave. 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 9a.m. till 5:00p. Lakeshore Road. Lots of antique, antiques, dolls, bird cage, furniture, knickknacks, clothes. Rain dates Friday & Saturday. No early birds please!

ATTIC SALE: SATURDAY, 9-2, 805 St. Joseph, Waveland. No early birds. Lots of goodies.

BACK PORCH SALE: 211 7th St., BSL (between Seube & Turner), Saturday, 8am-3pm, misc. items, clothes, etc.

CHURCH YARD SALE & FISH FRY: Saturday, March 7th, 8a.m. until 1:00p. Chapel, Herlihy St., Waveland. Rain date 14th.

DEADLINES FOR YARD, GARAGE sales advertisements appearing in SUNDAY'S Editions of THE SEA COAST ECHO is NOON on Friday's.

EVERYDAY IS SALE DAY AT YOUR Bay St. Louis Goodwill Store, Bay Mall Shopping Center, Dunbar & Highway 90, Mon. thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 467-7277.

GARAGE SALE: 57145 DIAMONDHEAD Drive East near Ahlhi Street. Boys clothes (large & x-large), girls clothes (medium & large), 16" girls bike, toys, linens & misc. Friday & Saturday, 8a.m.-12 noon.

GARAGE SALE: SATURDAY, 7A.M. 612 Sunset Drive, Bay St. Louis.

PORCH SALE, 9A.M.-2P.M. 409 St. Joseph St., Waveland. What note to electronics.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFTSTORE, 307-D Coleman Ave., Waveland, 10-3. Tues.-Thurs.-Fri., 10-12 Saturday. Baby, mens, womens clothes, housewares, & bric-a-brac.

YARD SALE: DAV HOME, 303 Union St., off Necale Ave., 8am-1pm, each Saturday. Every week new & old items. Nothing over 50¢ except furniture. Donations accepted. 467-3780.

YARD SALE: SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH, 8am. NOEARLY BIRDS. 4th house on right on Lakewood Dr., off Central. Household items, sporting good items, 2 a/c's.

YARD SALE TO BENEFIT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY: Saturday, March 7, 8am-2pm, 3066 Longfellow Dr., BSL. (Dept. of Human Services parking lot).

YARD SALE SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH, 85531 Diamondhead Dr. West. Pool table, luggage, lot's of everything! 255-2095.

YARD SALE: 8A.M.-12P.M. SATURDAY, March 7, 1200 St. Joseph Street. Baby clothes, odds-n-ends.

YARD SALE: SATURDAY, 8a.m.-2p.m. New and used items: Antiques, refrigerator, books, hardware, paint, records and plants. 6426 Lower Bay Rd. 467-2947.

YARD SALE, SATURDAY MORNING, 8am-11, 6684 Ahelko Circle, Diamondhead. Misc. items, hunting clothing & baby items.

YARD SALE: SATURDAY, 8A.M.-TIL 16 Good Street (Corner of Blue Meadow).

96 Wanted To Buy

QUICK CASH FOR ALMOST ANYTHING before yard sale hassles, moving or cleaning out. We buy furniture, furniture, antiques, tools, toys, books, etc. Place or house full. We never leave message. 467-4657.

WE BUY (OLD) WATCHES, wrist, & pocket, rings, gold, estate pieces, & jewelry. Bayou Jewelers, 466-0425.

98 Wanted To Buy

ANYTHING, COLLECTIBLES, TOYS, dolls, furniture. One piece or house full. Call 467-2947.

DON'T FEEL LIKE LIVING IN YOUR yard sale? Call us. We'll buy your house full of unwanted antiques, tools, etc. 466-8286, leave message.

125 Campers/Motorhomes

1978 - 21' CLASS C MH, 255-7719, \$5,000 obo.

LIKE NEW 30' PARTY BARGE, one owner, \$12,500, 466-2505.

128 Boats & Motors

16' SPORT CRAFT WITH 100 Horse Johnson, \$1,200. 467-7418.

1994 19-FT. CARAVELLE BOWRIDER w/sundeck, capt. chairs, 5.0L V-6 Volvo Parts w/SX outdrive and Magic Tilt Trailer. \$11,000 or best offer. 467-1483.

2 555 CUMMINS MARINE ENGINES, 1 running, 1 for parts. 467-9561 or 463-0800.

136 Automobiles

'94 HONDA CIVIC HATCHBACK, 161,000 miles, good interior/exterior, runs rough, smokes. \$500/obo. 467-6308.

'91 SUBARU JUSTY, 2 DR, A/C, nice little car, \$2,990. \$99 per mo. Danny Farrell, Lakeshore Chrysler. 1-504-641-9595.

'92 FORD TEMPO GL, 44,280 MILES, electric locks, windows & driver seat. Tilt wheel, ac, stereo, \$5,200. 255-3288.

'93 FORD PROBE GT, ALL POWER, like new, low miles, \$7,990. 0 down, low payments. Danny, 1-504-641-9595.

'93 NISSAN, 88,000K MILES, \$3,500. Call 468-9275.

'95 CHRYSLER CIRRIUS, 4 DR, \$8,990. Loaded, auto, air, 100% financing available, low notes. Danny Farrell, 1-504-641-9595.

'95 PONTIAC GRAND AM, 4 DR, dark green, v-6, auto, all power, \$9,490. 0 down, financing available. Danny, 1-504-641-9595.

'96 FORD TAURUS, 4 DR, ONE OWNER, pw, pf, p/seats, \$11,990. 0 down, \$249 per mo. Danny Farrell, 1-504-641-9595.

AUTO INSURANCE WITH MONTHLY PAYMENTS as low as \$24. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency, 467-4807, 467-1152.

B & M AUTO SALES
30 DOWN SPECIAL
'95 Chrysler Cirrus \$199.41
'95 Toyota P/U \$154.28
'94 Grand Am \$128.97
'95 Mazda B2300 P/U \$155.85
BANKRUPT, BAD CREDIT
All you need is a good job
ALL APPLICATIONS APPROVED
1-800-214-5193

FOR SALE: 1989 MAZDA B26, Blue with sunroof, 4 cyl., good mileage, \$4,500 or best offer. 467-3726.

SEIZED CARS FROM \$175: Porches, Cadillac, Chevy, BMW's, Corvettes. Also Jeeps, 4WD's. Your area. Toll free 1-800-214-5000 Ext. A-9390 for current listings.

138 Trucks, Vans

1988 FORD BRONCO 4x4, super clean, \$5,500. Call 255-3778/after 5:30 weekdays/anytime on weekends for more info.

'92 MAZDA B2200, P/U, AUTO, a/c, one owner, \$4,990. 0 down, \$149 per mo. Danny Farrell, 1-504-641-9595.

'94 JEEP CHEROKEE, 2 DR SPORT, 6 cyl, \$8,990. 0 down, see Danny Farrell, Lakeshore Chrysler, 1-504-641-9595.

1991 FORD RANGER: RUNS GOOD, has camper shell, \$3,000. 467-8228.

147 Apt. For Rent

DOWNTOWN BAY ST. LOUIS upstairs 1 bedroom efficiency apartment. All electric, central heater. References required, pet-free environment. \$300/month, \$300/deposit. 467-0924.

GULF GROVE APARTMENTS - 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms. \$100 deposit, ask about 2 bedroom special. Corner of Hwy. 90 & Waveland Ave. Waveland, 467-3122.

147 Apt. For Rent

1 BEDROOM APARTMENT, \$150 off move-in special. Private Storage Apartment, 1000 S. Highway 90, Long Beach, MS. 467-3122.

1 BEDROOM UNIT, 1000 S. Highway 90, Long Beach, MS. 467-3122.

148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2 BEDROOM TRAILER HAS X large bedroom, stove, ref., carpet, large yard, \$350/month. \$200/deposit. Also smaller trailer. \$295/month, \$200/deposit. 467-2947. 6426 Lower Bay Road.

FREE RENT: 3 months, you do repairs \$250/month; rent afterwards. 466-2528.

QUIET AREA: 1 BEDROOM FOR RENT, \$350/mo. 467-0049.

THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH, 467-3447.

2 BEDROOM TRAILER FOR RENT: Km area. 255-5529.

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

1975 - 12x40, ASKING \$1,500. Needs some work. (801)789-0505 or (601)748-2310.

HENLEY TIMBER COMPANY

We would like to buy your logs, poles, pulpwood and hardwood timber. Small tracts or large tracts.

255-3082

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1-800-874-0793 601-957-1726

Laidlaw Transit Inc. which provides school bus service for the city of Bay St. Louis/Waveland, is seeking experienced drivers to fill the position of school bus driver.

All applicants must possess the following:
• Must be able to obtain a commercial drivers license and have a good motor vehicle record
• Successfully complete all training requirements
• Enjoy working with children
• Pass a physical examination, including a drug test
• Sign on bonus after 30 days.

Applicants who already have a valid CDL are encourage to apply.
For immediate consideration please apply at:
700 Pass Road - Gulfport, MS
228-868-7720 or 228-466-9002

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, 2000 sq. ft. mobile home. \$2,990 down, 7.99% 30 years. Limited factory direct offer (optional, financing available). AAA Homes, 1-800-888-8888.

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Scores

School now offers vo-tech and job-prep programs.

"You don't always put out actors and lawyers," she said. "There is a need for skilled workers."

"We have to offer the students courses of interest academically. We have to keep them in school."

Not all of the news was sour for either district, however.

Even though both districts experienced decline in nearly half of the categories, the scores still exceeded the state average in 28 of 35 areas. Additionally, both districts graded out about average on the national level.

County students showed significant increase in math scores, which was pleasing to Bennett since that was one area targeted for improvement by the district.

In sixth grade math, the county's score exceeded the state average by 46 points, in seventh grade by 41 points and by 39 points in ninth grade. In

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all of those grades, the test scores rose significantly over last year.

Bennett said the district adopted a single math textbook in for elementary school students in the past few years, and that has resulted in increased learning by students.

"We upgraded an area we were striving to improve but came down in other areas," Bennett said. "We need to continue to look at which programs went down. We will try to fix what's wrong. We want to keep it level."

The results were even more encouraging in the Bay Waveland district, where test scores exceeded the state average in 29 of 35 categories. The district saw significant improvements in eighth grade math and sixth grade language.

However, student performances fell off dramatically in seventh grade language and math. In math, the test scores fell by 32 points, the most noticeable decline in either district.

Additionally, test scores in ninth grade math fell by 19 points.

The county scores were more level with the previous year's, even where performances dropped. The city district's scores showed greater fluctuations from the previous year.

Bay-Waveland School Board President Richard Flowers said he had not seen the test scores, and could not comment. Superintendent Dr. Mike Reed said he was "well-pleased" with the district's standing on the national level.

"There's always room for improvement," he added. "We are working on that through curriculum analysis and meetings."

"There is nothing to be panicking about," Reed said. "Our weakness are being analyzed building by building and grade by grade."

Later in the month, the state Department of Education will release each district's accreditation level.

Reef

Brown with the corporation.

"In working with (Taylor) over the past three years trying to develop new things for the community, he put us together with (Brown) with (Mississippi Gulf Fishing Banks) and that's how the project developed," Longo said. "I have been working with (Brown) since the end of last year."

The new reef would be the second fishing reef developed near the Waveland pier. A limestone reef, which Longo said is just coming into maturity, is located near the beginning of the new extension on the southwest side.

"This (new) reef along with the limestone reef planted last year should make (the pier) the hottest fishing spot around accessible without a boat," he said.

In other news from Waveland, drafts of two new proposed ordinances were discussed at the workshop.

Aldermen discussed a draft of a parade ordinance, making

suggestions for inclusion to City Attorney Ronnie Artigues, Jr.

Most of the concerns involved safety issues including banning animals, bicycles, skates and skateboards from mass gatherings such as parades. The proposed draft included a prohibition of parking vehicles along the parade route before 6 a.m. on the day of the parade.

Alderman Louis Smolensky

reminded the Board that any adopted ordinance will affect all parades in the city and not just those which travel on Highway 90.

Aldermen also discussed a proposed ordinance governing the cutting and removal of trees.

According to a draft of the proposed ordinance, landowners would be required to ob-

tain a permit before cutting down, chopping or removing any trees from their property, whether performing the work themselves or contracting the work.

The proposal also states that any persons in the business of cutting and removing trees who perform the work without a permit being obtained by the themselves or the landowner will be

prohibited from performing such work.

Longo explained that such an ordinance would enable the city to identify persons performing work in the event problems arise. He cited the recent damage to the city water lines from the removal of a tree on Old Spanish Trail.

Smolensky suggested that the ordinance include language directing that none of the debris or trimmings from the cutting or removal of trees could be left in any drainage ditches.

Neither ordinance was presented for vote at Tuesday's meeting.

Aldermen approved a \$1002.45 partial payment to Eaton and Associates, Inc. for construction administration services in connection with the Garfield Lander Municipal Pier Extension Project. A payment of \$49,453.67 was also approved to Beacon Contractors, Inc. in connection with the project.

Bids on the Waveland Avenue culver replacement project were opened and taken under advisement.

Supers

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hours. He also serves as Commission secretary and submitted charges for preparing minutes of each meeting.

Other charges were for conversations logged regarding telephone conferences with county officials, with subdivision developers or others calling on zoning matters. The telephone conversations are billed in increments of quarter hours.

Scafide also prepares Commission resolutions and advertisement notices for issues that require public hearings. Insiders estimate that the Commission's business has increased threefold since passage of the county's first-ever Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance in January 1997.

According to Scafide's records, he spent 38.5 hours attending to Planning Commission business during the period, and billed the county a total \$3,080. Deducting the \$200 monthly retainer for November, December and January, the total bill submitted was \$2,480.

County Comptroller Patty Greer said records show last year that Scafide was paid an additional \$1,906 for legal fees, in addition to his \$200 monthly retainer.

Auditor

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for additional security, the mayor said.

Instead, "if someone is generous enough to make a donation" for the police presence, the city gladly accepts it, Favre added.

Asked if the donations are sufficient to cover the cost of police security for private entities,

Favre said, "Sure. Normally at the beginning of the year, we do not budget what we expect to receive in donations."

He said while the city may be taking a "back door" approach to deal with the situation, the Attorney General's office has endorsed it verbally. He said he's seeking a written confirmation.

The audit review at issue included several criticisms of city accounting practices, and a complaint that the city hadn't fully paid Moore & Powell for its auditing services. Tuesday, council agreed to pay its past-due bill for the firm's services, and authorized additional work to complete the 1995-96 audit.

Clermont

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The civic group asked for: A sign between Mud Bayou and Sand Beach that clearly designates this area as Clermont Harbor.

Street lights at the corners of Beach Boulevard and Forest, Ilor and Bordages streets. "This would help deter the undesirable who congregate in these dark areas and conduct illegal activities," said Ladner.

Street signs at Second and Forest, Third and Forest, Fourth and Forest, Beach and Bordages, Fourth and Bordages, Third and Bordages, Bordages and Clermont Blvd., Ilor and Beach Boulevard, Second and Ilor, Third and Ilor, Fourth and Ilor, Oak and Fourth, Herron and Clermont Blvd.

Ladner said the sign at Second and Forest "has been laying in the ditch for over a month."

Ladner also wants stop signs replaced at Clermont Blvd and Ilor, at S. Railroad and Clermont; graffiti removed from the stop sign at Beach and Ilor, and paint removed from the stop sign at Bordages and Beach

Boulevard.

District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner told Ladner to call the county's Road Maintenance Department to remedy the sign situation.

District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour told the group that supervisors get requests for

more street lighting in various neighborhoods at every meeting, and each request has to be considered.

Supervisors moved to discuss Clermont Harbor's situation further March 20, and will also invite Sheriff Ronnie Peterson to the workshop meeting.

Waveland receives grants on two drainage projects

BY BETSY GAGNET

The City of Waveland has received good news recently in connection with some infrastructure and recreational improvement projects.

Alderman Tommy Longo announced at Monday's Board of Aldermen workshop meeting that the city was awarded two drainage improvement grants through the U. S. Natural Resources Conservation Service. The monies are allocated through Congress.

The two drainage improvement projects are located on Fell Street near Marcus Street and on Old Spanish Trail near Highway 90, Longo told the Board.

The grants total \$50,000, but

would only require the city to match funds up to a total of \$9,000, Longo said Wednesday.

In the recreation department, the city has met with the Navy Seabees regarding improvements needed to bring the Waveland Little League Park up to league standards.

Wiring at the park needs to be reworked in order to install league required lighting.

A preliminary site inspection by the Seabees was done earlier this week.

Longo said the Seabees would provide the labor, expertise and machinery for the project with the city providing the materials. Additionally, the city will be able to use used lights obtained from the county.



Girl missing

Coast law enforcement agencies are looking for a local 16-year-old girl missing since March 2.

The Bay Police Department is searching for Melissa M. Fountain of Bay St. Louis. She is described as 5'7" inches tall, 125 pounds, with blonde hair and blue eyes. She is in the 9th grade at Bay High School.

Police are asking anyone with information about the girl to contact Bay Police at 467-9221 or Melissa's mother, Patricia. Her work number is 466-5684 and her beeper number is 516-0865.

Public Notice

NO. 98-0024
IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
GORDON H. MACLAINE, Deceased

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: William Alan MacLaine
A NON-RESIDENT IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS:
4475 Francisco Road,
New Orleans, LA 70129

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 14th day of April, 1998, in the Courtroom of the Chancery Court of Hancock County at the Court Annex located at 506 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi to show cause if any you have why the petition for approval for the First and Final Accounts and for authority to close the estate and discharge executory duties of the executor of the Last Will and Testament of Gordon H. MacLaine, deceased, Cause No. 98-0024, should not be granted and to show cause if any you have said why the First and Final Accounts should not be approved and allowed. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 13 day of Feb., 1998.

Seal
Timothy A. Keller
Chancery Clerk
By: Mark Adams, D.C.
Clerk of Hancock County,
Mississippi
219: 226, 35/96

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

NOTICE OF
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE
BY VIRTUE of the authority vested in me as Substituted Trustee in the deed of trust given to HANCOCK BANK, Beneficiary, John A. Scalfie, Jr., Trustee, by MARK G. OHMAN, dated December 31, 1978, and recorded in Book 216 of Page 348 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and WHEREAS default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire indebtedness secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust, and HANCOCK BANK, the holder of the note and deed of trust, having requested the undersigned substituted trustee to do so, I will on March 27, 1998, which legal hours at the main front door of Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to-wit:

Lot 10, 11 and 12, Block 20, CLERMONT HARBOR, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat entered on file in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title in and to the above property as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. **WITNESSED, POSTED AND PUBLISHED this 9th day of March, 1998.**

ERNEST G. MARTIN, JR.
Substituted Trustee
My 29, 1998, is filed for record in Book 505 at Page 810 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
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Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
Frank J. Lavelle, Plaintiff
V. Roy E. Threlkeld, et al., Defendants
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
(Service by Publication)
(Reference Under Rule 68)
CASE NO. 98-0119

TO: Roy E. Threlkeld, if alive, whose last known post office and street address is 5748 Shaw Rd., Rochelle, LA 71068 and whose present address, both post office and street address, is unknown after diligent search and inquiry; and if dead the unknown heirs at law of Roy E. Threlkeld, whose post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; and all other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the hereinafter described land and property, whose street addresses and post office addresses are unknown to Plaintiff after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Frank J. Lavelle, Complainant, whose address is c/o 506 Highway 90 East, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 alleging legal ownership to the following described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title: Lot 12, Block 6, Unit 5, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint to David M. Necaise, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 2036, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 15TH DAY OF MARCH, 1998, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after filing, issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 2nd day of March, 1998.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CLERK OF THE COURT
KIM DONOVAN
DEPUTY CLERK
3:12 3:12 3:18/98

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
LINDA DAHL LADNER, PLAINTIFF
V. LINDA LADNER NEHR-AT-LAW OF BJORN M.W. DAHL, DEFENDANT

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
CAUSE NO. 98008

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS MAKING A CLAIM TO THE ESTATE OF BJORN M.W. DAHL.
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by LINDA LADNER, Plaintiff, to establish the heirs-at-law of BJORN M.W. DAHL.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written answer, either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint, to CECIL G. WOODS, JR., PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY, WHOSE ADDRESS IS P.O. BOX 965, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI 39506.

Your response must be mailed or delivered no later than thirty days after the 19 day of Feb., 1998, which is the first date of publication of this summons. If your answer is not so mailed or delivered, a judgment by default may be entered against you for the money, or other relief, demanded in the complaint.

You must also file the original of your answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after filing, issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 17 day of Feb., 1998.

(SEAL)
Timothy Keller, Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi
BY: Mark Adams, D.C.
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